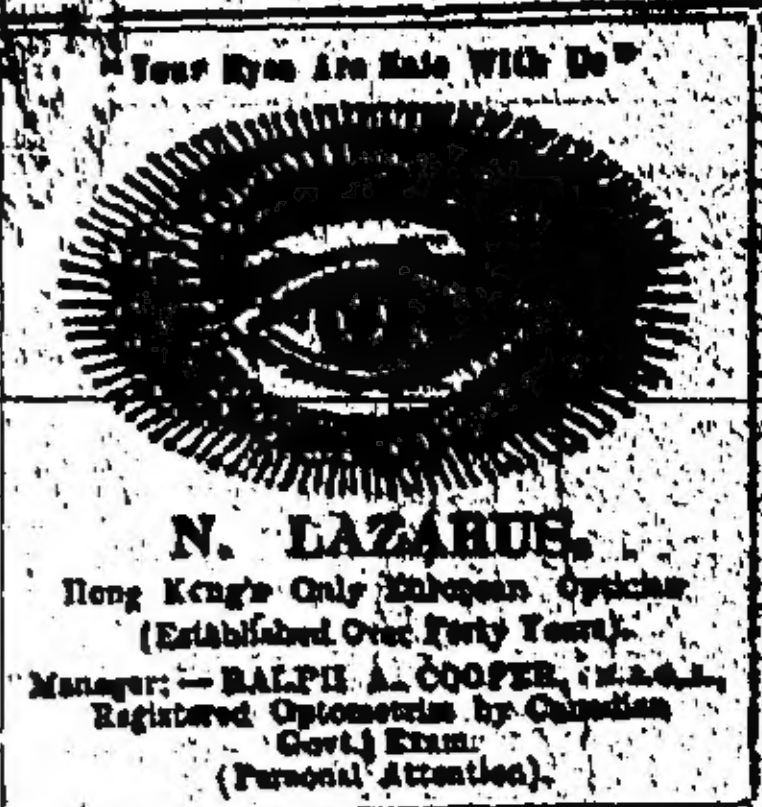


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Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.26	9.31	10.21	12.21	1.36	2.36	4.56	6.06
Tai Po ...Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.45	10.35	12.35	1.50	2.50	5.10	6.20
Tai Po Market ...Dep.	7.29	8.54	9.59	10.49	12.49	2.04	3.04	5.24	6.34
Fanning ...Dep.	7.43	9.08	10.13	11.03	1.18	2.18	3.18	5.38	6.48
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INJURED MAN PUT ON LINE.

AFTER BEING RUN DOWN BY CAR.

MOTORIST CHARGED WITH MURDER.

PARIS.
What is alleged to be one of the most terrible murders in the history of crime is being investigated by the French police, who have arrested a motorist. The charge against him is that he took the body of a Polish workman, whom he had knocked down and seriously injured, and placed it on the railway line to be cut to pieces by the first train to pass that spot.

The night train from Meaux to Paris had just left Monthyon Station when the engine-driver saw something across the rails but was unable to pull up the train, which ran over and mutilated the body of the workman.

The dead man has been identified as a Pole named Gramlik, working at a farm near Monthyon. By accident the police, as they were placing the body on a stretcher, noticed on the roadside pieces of broken glass and the brass fastening of a motor-car lamp. A day later a Belgian labourer told the authorities that he was driving on the road near the railway line on the evening in question when he noticed a car standing on the roadside with its lights out. The driver told him there had been an accident but that everything was all right.

Car's Broken Lamp.
The police have arrested M. Bloque, building contractor. An examination of his car showed that one of the lamps was broken and that its brass fastening was missing.

Two men who had been in the car with Bloque have made a statement to the police, according to which the contractor and his companions were returning home after a drinking bout when they knocked over Gramlik.

"We got out of the car and could see that he was badly injured," said M. Boucher, one of the passengers. "Bloque and Patron (the other man in the car) picked him up by his legs and arms and placed him on the railway line, saying: 'If we shut our mouths, nobody will know about it.'"
M. Boucher declared that when the injured man was placed on the line he was still groaning.
Bloque admitted having run the man down but denied that the Pole was still alive when placed on the line.

17,000 MINERS' POVERTY.

DOORS AND FIXTURES SOLD.

LONDON, Jan. 17th.

The Avon Valley, a colliery area in South Wales and an offshoot of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's constituency, is undergoing very severe depression. In the three villages of Blaengwynn, Cymmer, and Aberkenfig there are 17,000 people unemployed, which is 65 per cent. of the population.

So acute is the poverty that 25 shops closed their doors on Saturday, and the miners are leaving in large crowds for the agricultural areas in the hope of getting work.

The sobriety of the valley has been reflected in the police court, where there has not been a case for three weeks, and this is due to enforced temperance.

In normal times, it is stated, the public-house barrellage is 60 to 80 a week, but last week the supply was under 20 barrels. Even the pawnbrokers have left the area.
The following is an illustration of the state of the valley. Five houses were vacated on Sunday, and yesterday morning there was not a door or a fixture in them. Everything that could be turned into cash had been so treated. When the police discovered this they failed to get the owners of the houses to prosecute.
All the mines have been closed down within the last four weeks.

MEDICAL VIEW OF TEA DRINKING.

"A LUXURY AND OF NO REAL VALUE."

AWFUL EFFECTS OF FIVE CUPS A DAY.

A average cup of freshly-made tea will improve typewriting, the naming of colours, the cancellation of certain letters in a page of print, and calculations.

This is one of the main conclusions established by Dr. R. J. S. McDowell, F.R.C.P., in an article on the physiological action of tea as a beverage, published in the Diamond Jubilee number of the Practitioner.

The tests, he explains, were made by Hollingworth with a dose of caffeine equivalent to that contained in an average cup of freshly-made tea.

Quite a brief infusion of tea, apparently, extracts from the tea leaf practically all the available caffeine, while the longer the tea is infused the greater the amount of tannin extracted.

"It is evident," he adds, "that the idea of diluting strong and stale tea for second cups is quite fallacious, since the majority of the caffeine is taken out by the first infusion. It may be desirable to dilute the later infusions because of their tannin content, but it is not necessary to dilute quite a strong cup from a first infusion."

A curious point noted is that while caffeine there is no evidence of depression subsequent on a purely stimulating dose, even though tests are repeated at intervals up to seven hours.

The disadvantages of tea lie in its excessive consumption and in the possibility of bad preparation, and in excess the caffeine may bring about nervous excitement, with tremors and disturbed sleep, headache and general inefficiency.

The statement is quoted that the effects of excess might, especially in a young person, be produced by five cups a day.

Among the conclusions reached are that the moderate consumption of properly made tea has no serious disadvantages, and that taken with meals it acts as a useful antagonist to the somewhat hypotensive effect of the meal itself; that it is essentially a luxury and of no real value except that it promotes a sense of well-being; and that when urns are in use, the tea should be made in teapots by rapid infusion with boiling water and poured into the larger vessels which may then be kept heated as required.

EASY GEOGRAPHY.

DEVICE FOR MAKING MAPS IN SCHOOL.

"Every boy his own map-maker" may be the slogan of tomorrow's schoolrooms if an invention by Mr. Mont Follick, F.R.G.S., becomes popular. It is an ingenious idea, by which geography can be made extraordinarily easy and entertaining, giving the pupil scope for his manual skill.

Mr. Mont Follick's patent consists of a dissected map within a frame, mounted on wood. It is dissected along the county boundaries, each map section corresponding to a county. The pupil can thus build up the surface of England, county by county, and take it to pieces again, gaining an intimate knowledge of the shape and situation of each one.

To represent towns, studs are provided to correspond in size with the size or population of the towns. They fit into holes, which correspond with the size of the stud. The pupil, finding a small hole, will look for a small stud and will thus learn not only the position, but also the size of the towns. The studs can be marked on the back with the name of the town, the population and such other information as may be desired.

Rivers and lakes are represented by strips of metal, flat at the top and round at the bottom, while the map is fitted with appropriate grooves. The pupil then searches among the strips of metal for one which will fit into, say, the windings of the Severn, and learns something of its formation. There will also be recesses cut out in the map surface corresponding with mountains.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

St. Matthias Day.
Helena May Institute Bible Study Circle, 10.30 a.m.
4th Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong and Territorial Estates, Ltd., St. George's Building, 11 a.m.
Beilios Public School Prize Distribution by Lady Chow, Queen's College Hall, 3 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club "A" v. Club de Recreo, King's Park, 5 p.m.
Annual Meeting of Seatholders, Union Church, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m.
8th Annual Meeting Queen's College Old Boys' Association, Queen's College Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Annual Dinner of Artillery Company (H.V.D.C.), Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Dance, City Hall, 8.30 p.m.
Eduforthe Recital by Mr. Harry Ore, assisted by Mrs. E. Dunbar (soprano), at the residence of Mr. L. Dunbar, "Mutchmah," 2, May Road, 9.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Lovers."
World Theatre: "Altars of Desire."
Star Theatre: "The Road to Yesterday."

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Saturday.

Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, noon.
Fauling Hunt: Drag Hunt, meet at Mr. Potts' Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.
Yachting: Presented Cups race for the racing yacht, 3 p.m.
Hong Kong Jockey Club's 1st Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Cricket League: Division I: Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Artillery, Division II: Civil Service C.C. 2nd XI v. Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI. Friendly Cricket: Craigengower C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; H.K. University C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.; H.K. C.C. 2nd XI v. H.M.S. Tamar; C.R.C. v. Queen's Regt.

Football: Sunday Herald Charity Cup Final: Scotland v. China, H.K.F.C. ground, 4.15 p.m.
Hockey: H.K. Ladies Hockey Club v. Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Assoc., 4.30 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.

"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Impromptu Concert, 8 p.m.
Cafe Regent and King Edward Hotel dinner dances, 8 p.m.
Old Haidleyburians dinner, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m.
Craigengower Cricket Club Bachelors' Dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Lovers."
World Theatre: "Altars of Desire."
Star Theatre: "The Road to Yesterday."

Principal Mails: Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President Hayes).
Sunday.

1st Sunday in Lent.
Golf: Junior Championship (semi-final), Fanning; Junior Section Championships (1st round) Happy Valley.
Fauling Hunt: Point-to-Point Race.

Yachting: Presented Cups race for the Cruisers.
Theosophical Society Lecture, Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Music, 7.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Side Show of Life."
World Theatre: "The Great Love" (6.15-8.30 p.m.); Chinese Drama "The Romance of a Star" (7.15 p.m.).
Star Theatre: "Fascinating Youth."

Principal Mails: Inward: Europe via Siberia (Moj Maru).
Monday.

Ordinary Yearly Meeting Hong Kong Tramway, Ltd., Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, noon.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.

Hockey: Y.M.C.A. v. R.O.S.B. II.

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AMERICAN WOMAN'S CHARGES.

MISS MAYO AGAIN.

Miss Katherine Mayo, the American writer, whose book "Mother India" created world-wide interest when it was published six months ago, has just broken the silence which in the interval she imposed upon herself in face alike of appreciation, laudation, and bitter criticism.

In an article published in the American magazine Liberty, Miss Mayo returns to the attack, explaining in her introduction that as there is no necessity for her to earn her daily bread as she goes along she is free to print facts exactly as she found them.

She takes certainties, as her text, adjectives which have become commonplace in dealing with conditions in India, and proceeds:

Not quite a new task it was, for brass-buck hunting for America had already chased her into the field of research—once through two States as to their possible uses for rural police protection; once through Western Europe as to the welfare work for our army overseas; and yet again to the Philippines, as to America's record among the Island peoples. Also, an eight years' sojourn among British Indian emigrants in a South American colony had familiarized me with certain parts of Indian life.

But none of these experiences had prepared me for a thing that now, out of the exotic shapes, the radiant colours, the romantic atmosphere of India itself, was to take form before my shrinking eyes.

It is hardly possible here in these pages to go into full details, especially in matters of sexual relations and of the condition of women. If I did so some of Liberty's readers would be shocked thereby beyond their fortitude to endure.

It is not, I believe, too much to say that an informed and ready American public opinion could be fastened by up-to-date generalizations of the millions of Hindu womanhood, and through them the whole vast Hindu body, from degradation, misery, and ignorance.

One evidence of our power in this matter is seen in the effect on political Hinduism of America's interest in "Mother India." American and British reviews of the book reached India some time in advance of the book itself.

These reviews, from one angle and another, showed that the rugged old stage curtain was falling apart; that the "mystery" of India is worth thin; that Uncle Sam, usually too busy to bother with things so remote, was forming his own judgment on the Indian situation, not from material handed picked by Indian self-seekers but from hard facts, for the first time stripped bare before him; and that that judgment was not flattering to the Hindu's claim to distinction, either as a spiritual aristocrat or a world-be neighbor.

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UNDERGRADUATE'S ARMY CAREER RUINED BY A CONVICTION.

MANSLAUGHTER APPEAL ALLOWED.

The Court of Criminal Appeal allowed an appeal by a Cambridge undergraduate, Ronald Paul Lancaster Rose, against a sentence of six months' imprisonment in the second division for manslaughter passed at the Old Bailey.

Rose, while driving a motorcar, knocked down and killed a cyclist near Baldock, on the Great North Road.

The court directed that he should be bound over for two years, a condition of the recognisance being that he should not drive a motor vehicle during that period.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, K.C., for Rose, said: "This boy, the only child of his mother, was hoping to become an officer in the Guards. This conviction prevented him from adopting that profession. That is, in itself, a terrible punishment. Imprisonment will ruin him, because if he goes to jail his University career is ended."

Mr. Justice Avory said the sentence was set aside because of Rose's good character, because he had been in prison for ten days, and because of the other punishment he would suffer.

Mr. Justice Avory said the case had given the Court cause for anxious consideration. There had been of late too many cases of reckless driving which had caused serious injury and loss of life.

A NEW VIEW ON CHINA SITUATION.

MR. MOORE BENNETT'S PROPOSED REMEDY.

A SERIES OF FREE CITIES.

In forwarding the following letter for publication from Peking Mr. Moore-Bennett says: "I am sickened with the whole awful situation here of the Chinese, hopeless in a morass they can never unaided extricate themselves from, dying as they are in the South of this Province and Shantung by thousands of starvation, whilst the Christian world looks on."

Sir,—The situation in China grows not better—but worse, if not for the stranger within her gates then at least for the Chinese people as a whole whose sufferings during the past three decades have been enough, had there been any really great power for good in the world, to have moved the world to uproot the evil within the land and give to the people that peace of which we hear so much and see so little effort being made to compass.

The Foreign Communities seem to be obsessed with the idea that it should be for the already over-taxed and over-burdened Chinese populations to aid them in their fight for existence here, and in the midst of their own troubles they seem entirely to lose sight of the very much graver troubles which beset the hundreds of millions poor folk who are the natives of the land and who have no one to appeal to, to aid them.

From the Liberal sections of the Home press we are constantly hearing that no Chinese seems yet to have arisen who is capable of aiding the situation; but no one either at Home or out here, seems to consider the possibility of a foreigner arising who might change the situation, although it is noted, the Liberal press is very anxious to give to British communities settled in the Dominions those rights of self-government that the same Press seems anxious to deny to British and the other foreign communities in China.

In all humility, I would suggest that the time is past for the Foreign communities in China to look to their homelands for help. I would submit that the Foreign communities in China are not only capable of supporting and defending their own interests, but that they are, or should be, equally capable of defending those of the Chinese people who seek the hospitality of the foreign concessions, which concessions, be it noted, are not to be considered Chinese property inasmuch as they were granted to foreigners not by the Chinese but by the Manchus, and when China seized the country from the Manchus they had no legal right or claim to retract what to others prior to that time.

Why there should be any question of the right of the Chinese to these concessions anymore than to the Amur country is difficult to understand as the same power that gave the Amur country to Russia gave the concessions to foreigners.

If it were possible to obtain cohesion of action between the French and British communities in Canton, Shanghai and Tientsin, and for Hong Kong to consider giving the sum that she now pays to the Imperial Government for protection, to a joint pool or fund to be established by these communities for the protection of their vested interests, it should not be impossible to found a series of Free Cities defended and armed much on the same lines as were the Hanseatic cities of a past age, these cities being defended partly by their own troops and partly by a payment made by them to a European Navy for that purpose, this payment to be made from funds arising from the Customs to all merchandise using the safety of their areas, by port and other charges and dues, as well as by internal taxes upon such of the Chinese who may value safety of life and property and freedom from extortion, bribery, looting and pillage.

Both Tientsin and Shanghai, no less than Hong Kong, afford every facility for industrial expansion and the first named being situated near vast coal deposits might well expect a tremendous influx of capital were it definitely decided, once and for all, that there is to be no question whatever of returning the Chinese as the givers of such no longer exists. A state founded upon these lines would be under no ambiguity in regard to the folly of an unbridled democracy as a ruling power. The Chinese who elected to become residents of these free Cities would only be permitted to do so under such conditions as would once and for all demonstrate their precise status in the communities which would be governed entirely by elected British and French nationals according to a composite law established by the Ruling Cabal.

Such a scheme could not well be refused by the Home governments after their unhesitant to get rid of their responsibilities in other directions nor would the cost of defence under such a scheme be anything like as high as the cost under the present system of Exeter-Hall-Consular methods—prevaling, as once the Chinese were shown, that piracy meant sudden death not to a few poor innocent farmers but to considerable numbers of their well-to-do receivers of stolen property.

Such a scheme would not only be a great relief to the Chinese but it would be a great relief to the British and French communities in China who would be able to live in peace and safety, and who would be able to make the scheme live—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR JOHN MOORE-BENNETT.
Peking, February 14th, 1928.

tation in kind within their own frontiers, administered in a method similar to their own usages and customs, they would be very much more content than they are at this time to let well alone. It has been authoritatively stated by no less a person than a Marshal in Europe, who is well versed in war and staff operations, and who has travelled through China within the past eighteen months and examined every Chinese "Army," that one European division thoroughly found with its necessary corps could meet anything now contained in China. As the experiences gained by the Wei Hai regiment proved Chinese troops, well led, are as loyal and as good soldiers as any Eastern troops can be—but in any case an infantry division of native troops with European manned machine gun, field gun, airplane, gas, signalling, medical and supply corps would not be beyond the means of the communities named, the more so inasmuch as that one decisive action would probably settle the military gangster who aspired to fame and similar bold spirits once and for all, whilst the civil action of the communities could be such as would discourage Bolshevik learning and hot air arguments now used to fan the masses into anarchy.

The lesson at Chowchou should not be wasted by students of the present situation. Here were 60,000 men armed with a multitude of field and siege guns, gas and tear bombs, Mills grenades, modern rifles, barbed wire, airplanes to the number of twenty-five some of which were entirely new machines, with adequate supply trains and ammunition, medical stores, etc., who sat down before a town with an area of less than two square miles, defended by less than 4,000 men who only had six field guns and inadequate supplies and who were cut off from all outside aid, and after waiting three months they bought out the other side by means of dividend cheques.

So long as we remain the humble supplicants of the Home countries awaiting their pleasure to decide our fortunes or misfortunes, so long shall we deserve all we get of contempt from the uplift communities, the zealous partisans of Mr. Eugene Chen and other bright young upstarts. Rather let us envisage for ourselves a State of our own, founded by our forefathers and handed on to us to safeguard and preserve and, having built it up in our minds, let us get together with other folks in a similar predicament and make our dream a reality.

Hong Kong has a harbour and a naval base which latter we hear is to be shifted further west as soon as Singapore dockyard is finished, and this harbour and base would be most useful to the State because even if the British Navy was precluded from granting us protection, by reason of the "Liberal" tendencies of the Home Government seeking to give our goods to strangers, yet we could by a money payment either build up a small coast going navy sufficient to our needs or else arrange to use the navy of another Power for this purpose. We should not need the large unused forces now kept on the China station, as one cruiser used up to her capacity unsparingly would so deal with any "General" foolish enough to provoke action as to preclude any necessity for some years thereafter (in that same section of the Coast) to take further action.

I submit that the "bunkum" talked about "retaining" "sovereign rights" has no connection and could have none with such a scheme. The Chinese are sick to death of the totally unhelpful action of so-called Christian Powers who not only permit upstart generals and tuchus to ruin, murder, rob, rape, loot and devastate the country, but whose Representatives in China see no incongruity in attending the marriage feasts and other social gatherings of those men who lead the robber-battalions in their bestialities. If we could found, not only for ourselves but equally for every decent respectable Chinese citizen who cared to join us, areas where whilst there was no pretence made of democratic government, life—property and vested interests would be equally secure to the Chinese as they would be to all others, we should speedily find that the populations of the Free Cities within the State would be great enough and potent enough to permit us to meet those Governments who now look down their noses at us in scorn, on something like equal terms.

I am aware that a thousand critics will arise and say that the scheme is a fantasy but if the Man lives amongst us who has the vision and the Power such a Man can make the scheme live—Yours faithfully,

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STORY OF A CURE FOR DIABETES.

A story of a supposed new cure for diabetes was told at a Westminster inquest on Gustav Rothe, aged 66, of Frankfurt-on-Main, who was found dead in bed at the Strand Palace Hotel.

Mr. Shumner Stithorp, a company director, said he met Rothe in August, when he was suffering very badly from diabetes. Rothe was introduced to him as having a specific that would have a curative effect. He had had one foot amputated for gangrene and was afraid he would have to lose the other foot.

Rothe's treatment consisted of pills containing quinine and hydrochloric acid absorbed into little pieces of quartz, which was the carrier.

Mr. Stithorp said on the first morning he took 50 hydrochloric acid pills before breakfast, and next morning 35 minims of quinine. This treatment he kept up for a week, afterwards increasing the dose until in four weeks he was taking 80 hydrochloric acid and 70 quinine pills on alternate mornings before breakfast.

Mr. Oddie: How long did you carry on?—About five weeks.

Astonished At Result.

Mr. Stithorp said on Rothe's advice he reduced the dose, and was now taking about 25 pills twice a week. "The treatment had an astonishing result, and I now feel quite well. My gangrene has disappeared."

He was so pleased with the invention that he intended becoming a partner of Rothe to push the pills. In four or five months he had given Rothe about 2,000 to assist him. He was supplying doctors with a lot of acid columns.

THE DEBUT OF "YOUNG JOE."

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S SON GOING INTO THE ARMY.

FIVE ASHES (Sumner).

"It is not my intention to go into politics. I am going into the Army."

This was the reply, says a pressman, given to me when I asked Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, son of the Foreign Secretary, whether his debut, as a public speaker on January 28th meant that he intended following the footsteps of Sir Austen Chamberlain and of his grandfather, whose illustrious name he bears.

Mr. Chamberlain will speak at the annual dinner of the Birmingham Jewellers and Silversmiths Association.

"Young Joe" Chamberlain is 20 years of age. His speech somewhat recalls the deliberate diction of the great "missionary of Empire."

"It is not a question of politics at Birmingham on January 28th," he said. "I am replying for the guests. The Birmingham Jewellers have done me a great honour in putting my name on the toast list."

Among those who will listen to him are the Prince of Wales—the chief guest—and his father, Sir Austen.

"As to politics," Mr. Chamberlain said with a smile, "You know, I have a younger brother."

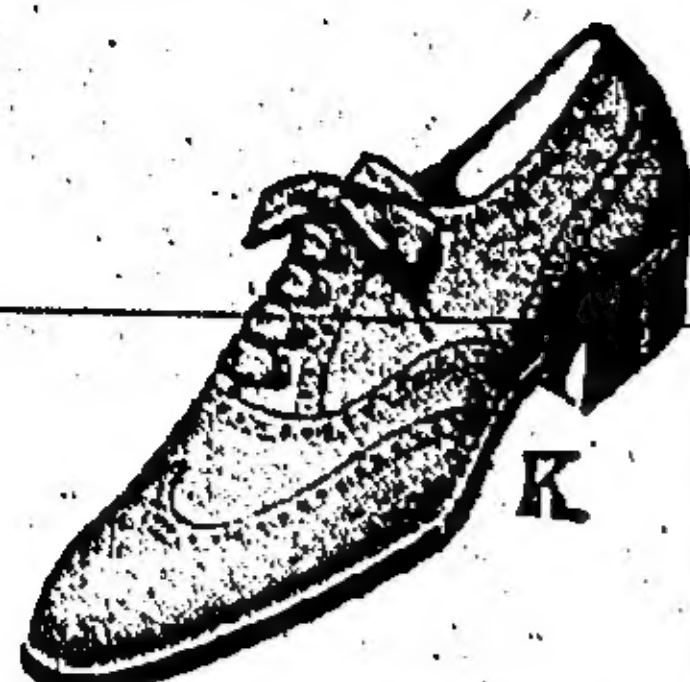
Connected with Guy's Hospital, and the treatment was being considered.

Dr. West, pathologist, said that Rothe's death was due to heart disease. He did not think the pills Rothe had been taking affected his death.

A verdict of Death from Natural Causes was recorded.

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FULL LIST OF AWARDS.

"We may congratulate ourselves that this show has been a success. Although the exhibits are not so many as in times past, what is lacking in numbers has been made up for by the very high standard of the exhibits." This was the comment made by the President of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society on the occasion of the annual flower and vegetable show yesterday.

The President's claim was very well justified, as all who visited the Show were agreed. The weather has not been too kind to horticulturists and one wondered how they had managed to produce such excellent results. The Show was certainly a success looked at from the standpoints of attendance and quality of exhibits.

As usual the exhibits were staged in specially erected matchsheds at Volunteer Headquarters, and they made a very effective blaze of colour.

During the afternoon, H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) and Lady Clementi visited the Show and her Ladyship presented the prizes and trophies to the successful exhibitors at five o'clock. During the afternoon the band of the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers played an excellent programme of music, under the baton of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M. (Bandmaster).

At the prize distribution, the President announced that there had been an increase in membership of the Society, but he appealed for still further members.

A departure was made from the custom of past years in the matter of the date of the show. It has frequently happened that a long series of depressing fogs, and sunless days has spoiled much of the earlier work on flowers and vegetables, and in view of this it was decided to hold the show earlier this year. The result was all that could be desired. Yesterday proved a warm day, with plenty of sunshine and a large number of visitors were present between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Further, the exhibits were of a very high standard, the flowers and plants being particularly pleasing.

It was disappointing that the entries should have dropped so much as compared with previous shows, but this was perhaps compensated for by the standard reached. The judges had no easy task in making their final selections, so keen was competition in all sections.

There were over 200 exhibits from the Peak, and about 175 from other districts in the pot plant section, while there was about an equal number of vegetables. Entries for cut flower section from the Lower Levels were disappointing, but sweet peas from the Peak were noticeable for their splendid quality.

Trophies Won.
A new feature of the show was the award of Championship cups on the basis of points obtained (3 for a first, 2 for a second and 1 for highly commended). Mrs. F. C. Hall won championship cups for the Peak classes in pot plants and vegetables, and also won the Challenge Cup for pot plants. Peak Master Robin Hall won the first prize for a basket of flowers set by children of ten years of age and under.

Mrs. Ho Kom Tong won the championship cup for pot plants, open, and the Hong Kong Club gained the trophy for vegetables, open. Particulars of other trophies won will be found in the full prize list, given below.

Tea was served during the afternoon by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.

Outstanding Exhibits.
The cut flower from the Peak appealed particularly, the sweet peas being particularly good. Roses were good, and the display of nasturtiums, both cut, and in pot, were most pleasing. The pansies were another class of exhibits which attracted a great deal of attention and admiration from all visitors. Vegetables were of very high quality, and in this connection exhibits from the Lai Chi Kok prison gardens were very much commended, notably the tomatoes. The Hong Kong Club exhibits were also highly praised.

Begonias were another admirable feature; while it was difficult to decide which of the table decorations deserved the awards. All were very well done.

An interesting exhibit, not for competition, was the magnificent display of flowers and vegetables staged by Mr. Ho Kom Tong, which drew general admiration.

THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS.

There was a good attendance at the prize distribution. Lady Clementi distributed the awards. Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (President of the Society) presided, and there were also present H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), Major H. B. Dowbiggin, Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Sir Shou Son Chow, Capt. Whyte (A.D.C.), Mr. J. A. H. Plummer and Mr. T. E. Peacock (Secretaries), and Mr. E. B. O. Hornell (a former Hon. Secretary).

The President welcomed all present, and on behalf of the Society

he expressed thanks to His Excellency for the interest he took in the welfare of the Horticultural Society. He also thanked Sir Cecil for attending the show.

Thanks Expressed.

Continuing, the President expressed thanks to Lady Clementi for kindly undertaking to present the prizes and thanked all who had helped to make the show a success. Lt. Col. Bird and officers of the Volunteer Defence Corps for the use of the Drill Hall and Parade Ground; those who had generously contributed to the prize fund; the judges and exhibitors; and all who had helped in the various details, especially the ladies who had undertaken the rather dull task of filling in the prize cards; namely, Mrs. Hall, Miss Wells, Miss Robinson and Miss Tse; also the joint Hon. Secretaries, Mr. Plummer, a son of a past President, and Mr. Andrew Tse, who had worked very hard to make the show a success, and had proved most worthy successors to their late Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. B. O. Hornell, whom they also thanked for the very valuable assistance he had been to them. (Applause.)

A Success.

"We may congratulate ourselves," said the President, "that this show has been a success. (Applause.) Although the exhibits are not so numerous as in times past, what they lack in numbers, they make up for in very high standard, and the weather, also has not been too good."

Continuing, the President touched on a vital matter to the Society, the matter of membership. He was glad to be able to report that largely as a result of the appeal made by Major Dowbiggin at the last annual general meeting, there had been a welcome addition to the membership of the Society, but despite that, the membership was not what it ought to be in a Society like theirs, which had been in existence, and had been of much use, for a number of years. He therefore, asked all members to recruit new members.

The President announced that Mrs. Dyer had very kindly offered to sell the cut flowers she had exhibited, for the benefit of the Society, and Mr. Ho Kom Tong had also expressed his willingness to sell the sweet peas he had displayed. This would take place immediately after the prize distribution, and the funds of the Society would benefit. (Applause.)

The President then asked Lady Clementi to distribute the prizes and trophies.

Afterwards, the President asked Lady Clementi to accept a small souvenir as a token of the esteem in which the Society held her. (The gift was a travelling clock.)

JUDGES AND OFFICIALS.

The following were the judges for the show:—Pot Plants (Open) Mr. H. B. Dowbiggin and Mr. F. A. Perry; Pot Plants (Peak) Mr. J. P. Robinson and Mr. H. Green; Vegetables (Open) Mr. F. C. Hall and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; Vegetables (Peak) Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; Cut Flowers (Open) Mr. F. C. Hall and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; Cut Flowers (Peak) Mr. H. B. Green and Mr. J. P. Robinson; General Exhibits, Mr. L. Gibbs and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; Censura; Mr. Ho Kom Tong and Mrs. Aubrey.

The following officials of the Horticultural Society assisted in the organization:—Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (President), Mr. F. C. Hall, Mrs. Aubrey, Mrs. Dyer, Mr. E. B. O. Hornell, Mr. H. B. Dowbiggin, Mr. H. Green, Mr. J. P. Robinson, and Mr. F. A. Perry (members of the Committee), Mr. J. A. H. Plummer and Mr. T. E. Peacock (Secretaries), also Mrs. F. C. Hall, Miss Robinson, Miss Wells, Miss Tse and others.

THE AWARDS.

Challenge Cups.

Cut Flowers, Open.—Mrs. R. M. Dyer (antirrhinum).

Cut Flowers, Peak.—Mr. E. L. Sim (roses).

Pot Plants, Open.—Mr. Andrew Tse (primula).

Pot Plants, Peak.—Mrs. F. C. Hall (carnations).

Vegetables, Open.—Mrs. D. Hoare (tomatoes).

Vegetables, Peak.—Mr. R. E. Macdougall (savoy cabbages).

Championship Cups.

Pot Plants, Open.—Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Pot Plants, Peak.—Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Vegetables, Open.—Hong Kong Club.

Vegetables, Peak.—Mrs. F. C. Hall.

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Marguerite.—1, Kowloon Cricket Club; 2, Mr. Choa Po Sien.

Nasturtium (Tall varieties).—1, Kowloon Cricket Club; 2, Mr. Choa Po Sien.

Salvia.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. J. H. Taggart.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding nasturtiums).—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mrs. Ho Fook; highly commended, Mr. Andrew Tse.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season and not included in Classes 1 to 3 or 4 to 12.—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Arums.—1, Mr. Choa Po Sien; 2, U.S.R.C.

Antirrhinum.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Begonia.—1, Kowloon Cricket Club; 2, Mr. H. Taggart.

Geraniums.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Dahlia.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

Heliotrope.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Petunia.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Verbena.—1, Mr. Choa Po Sien; 2, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Linaria (Tall varieties).—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Cineraria.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Delphinium and/or Larkspur.—1, Mr. Choa Po Sien; 2, Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Freesia.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Phlox Drummondii.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

Roses.—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; highly commended, Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Dianthus, excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William.—1, U.S.R.C.

Carnations and/or Picotees.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Lady Ho Tung; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Maiden Hair Ferns.—1, Lady Ho Tung.

Ferns, excluding Maiden Hair.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; highly commended, Mr. L. Gibbs.

Asparagus Plumosus.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Mignonette.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

French Marigolds.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mrs. Ho Fook; highly commended, Mr. G. M. Shaw.

African Marigold.—No Award.

Nasturtium (dwarf varieties).—Highly commended, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Pansies and/or Violas.—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; 2, Mrs. Ho Fook; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Viola.—1, Mr. Choa Po Sien; 2, U.S.R.C.; highly commended, Mr. J. H. Taggart.

Stock.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Primula.—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.

Annuals, perennials and/or any plants.—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Fook.

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Marguerite (Chrysanthemum frutescens).—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. H. B. Dowbiggin; highly commended, Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Nasturtium (Tall varieties).—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. F. S. Harris.

Salvia.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2, Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding nasturtiums).—1, Mr. W. H. Bell; 2, Mr. T. E. Pearce; highly commended, Peak Club.

Arums.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; highly commended, Mr. W. H. Bell.

Antirrhinum.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; highly commended, Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

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Cineraria.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Petunia.—1, Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

Linaria (Tall varieties).—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Rosea.—No Award.

Verbena.—1, Mr. L. S. Greenhill; 2, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Delphinium and/or Larkspur.—1, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2, The Matilda Hospital.

Phlox Drummondii.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. E. L. Sim; highly commended, Peak Club.

Freesia.—1, Mr. W. H. Bell; 2, The Matilda Hospital.

Nasturtiums (dwarf varieties).—1, Mr. L. J. Davies; 2, Mr. W. H. Bell.

Dianthus (including hybrids but excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William).—1, Mr. W. H. Bell; 2, Mr. W. H. Bell; highly commended, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Carnations and/or Picotees.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Maiden Hair Ferns.—1, Mrs. M. Murray.

Ferns excluding Maiden Hair.—No Award.

Asparagus Plumosus.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Mignonette.—1, Mr. L. J. Davies; 2, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

French Marigolds.—1, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

African Marigolds.—No Award.

Pansies and/or Violas.—1, Mr. H. L. Denny; 2, Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

Viola.—1, Mr. W. H. Bell; 2, Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

Stocks.—1, Mr. E. L. Sim; 2, Mr. T. E. Pearce.

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Savoy Cabbages.—1, Mr. J. W. Franks; 2, Hong Kong Club.

Cauliflowers or Broccoli.—1, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Hong Kong Club; highly commended, Mr. Andrew Tse.

Lettuces (cabbage varieties).—1, Hong Kong Club.

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Antirrhinum.—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce; 2, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Red or Pink Roses.—1, Mr. E. L. Sim.

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Roses any colour.—1, Mr. E. L. Sim.

Carnations and/or Picotees.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Cactus Dahlias.—No Award.

Dahlias other than Cactus.—No Award.

Mignonette.—1, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Nasturtium (not less than 4 distinct colours).—1, Mr. W. H. Bell; 2, Matilda Hospital; highly commended, Peak Club.

Pansies.—1, Mr. E. L. Sim; 2, Mr. H. L. Denny; highly commended, Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Viola.—1, Peak Club; 2, Mrs. F. C. Hall.

General Exhibits.

OPEN TO ALL.
Cut Roses.—1, Mr. E. L. Sim; 2, Mr. D. Hoare.

Cut Flowers (to be judged for decorative effect).—1, Mrs. Aubrey; 2, Mrs. O. B. Brown.

Basket of Cut Flowers for children between the ages of 11 and 15 set up by the exhibitor without aid.—No Award.

Basket of Cut Flowers for children aged 10 years and under, set up by the exhibitor without aid.—1, Master Robin Hall; 2, Master R. Compton.

Table Decoration.—1, Mrs. Compton; 2, Mrs. Aubrey; 3, Miss Wilson.

Display of Cut Flowers grown by exhibitor.—1, Mrs. D. Hoare.

Group of Bulbs (excluding Narcissus tazetta).—No Award.

Annuals or plants grown from seed the same season (excluding nasturtium).—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse.

Flowering plants of the same kind or variety grown from seed, new to the Colony and/or not included in the Society's list of flowering plants.—1, Mrs. Aubrey.

RECONSTRUCTION!

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF KWANGTUNG AND KWANGSI.

CONSERVANCY BOARD ALSO ACTIVE.

KWANGSI TROOPS PASSING THROUGH CANTON.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

Though it is not attempting anything spectacular the Government of Canton is going quietly ahead with its programme of reconstruction. An interesting announcement is that a geological survey of Kwangtung and Kwangsi is to be undertaken. Mr. Chu Chia Hua, vice-president of the Sun Yat Sen University, being charged with the arrangements. It is hoped, of course, that mineral wealth may be revealed and that the country will soon be sufficiently settled to invite the investment of capital.

The Board of Conservancy in Canton is planning its programme for a year's work. Additional experts are to be engaged to make an inspection of the existing dykes and other works in order to prepare preventive measures before the beginning of next rainy season.

The Headquarters of the 11th Army Corps, commanded by General Chen Ming Shu, will be established at the former administrative building of the Kwangtung Cement Works.

Following the two big fires in Wongsba last Wednesday morning, another occurred yesterday in Fati, the south-western section of the section of the City across the Harbour.

There has been great response to the offer of the Municipal Department of Public Health of free vaccination and the Authorities have extended the period of the offer by five days.

The closing-down-of-labour-unions quarters and the search for "Reds" still continue in the City. Among those arrested as "Reds" is Pang Luk, a nephew of the notorious "Red" leader in Hoifung and Luk-fung. Pang Luk was once a boy scout, it is said, and some Canton newspapers call him a "Red" boy scout. Supporters of the scouts object to the term, if he is a scout, they say, he is not a "Red" and the converse holds good.

Some 5,000 to 6,000 troops have arrived in Canton from the East River districts. They belong to the Kwangsi Army and are now on their way back to Kwangsi, but will stay in Canton for a short time.

On the recommendation of Mr. Chu Chao Hsin, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs in Canton, the Political Council has approved the appointment of Mr. Yang Kin Ping as Commissioner for Foreign Affairs and Superintendent of Customs at Swatow. He will replace Mr. Tsam Siu Wai, a brother-in-law of Dr. C. C. Wu, the former Nanking Foreign Minister. This action is yet another sign of the break between Canton and Nanking.

Mr. T. T. Lee, former managing-director of the Chinese Section of the Canton-Hankow Railway, will be tried for embezzlement, if he can be found. Mr. Lee was arrested and found guilty by a special commission just before the "Red" upheaval and he was to pay a fine of \$30,000. During the "jail delivery" of the "Soviet Government," Mr. Lee made his escape from Canton.

A WELCOME VISITOR.

As a sign of Anglo-Chinese friendship, the heads of many leading Chinese-commercial-organizations have expressed a desire to meet the British Minister, Sir Miles W. Lampson, during his visit here, but the present very full programme of reception and entertainment will not allow many extra arrangements to be made. The Mayor's reception to the Minister on Sunday will be considered more or less the Canton people's welcome to the distinguished visitor. All leading trade organizations will be represented at the "tiffin" to be given by the City on Sunday.

All Canton was looking for the arrival of the British Minister yesterday (Thursday) afternoon, and he was expected to arrive at about five o'clock.

THE AERODROME.

GRANT FROM IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT.

£100,000.

MEETING OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held at the Council Chamber yesterday afternoon.

H.E. The Governor presided and those present were H.E. The General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), the Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G.), the Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.), the Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. H. T. Crensy), the Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer), Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North), Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, the Captain Superintendent of Police (Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.), Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, and Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

Standing Law Committee.

The following were appointed to serve as the Standing Law Committee for 1928: Hon. Attorney-General (Chairman), Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, Hon. Dr. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Hong Kong Aerodrome.

Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard asked:

"Will the Government state if the Imperial Government is going to contribute financially towards the cost of the Aerodrome in Hong Kong and, if so, to what extent?"

The Colonial Secretary: His Majesty's Government have allocated £100,000 from Imperial Funds towards the cost of the Hong Kong Aerodrome, £70,000 payable, if possible, this year and £30,000 on the satisfactory completion of the work.

Publican's Licences.

The motion to increase the scale of fees payable for Publican's licences for an extension of the hours of business was passed on the proposal of the Colonial Secretary seconded by the Attorney-General.

Naturalisation.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Naturalisation Ordinance, 1902, and to provide for the revocation of naturalisation rights in certain cases." He said: The object of the Bill is to apply to local naturalisation the powers of revocation which exist with regard to Imperial naturalisation. It also provides that any person naturalised locally who leaves the Colony and becomes naturalised in some foreign State automatically loses his local British status. This is also taken from Imperial legislation with regard to Imperial naturalisation.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Jurors' List.

Council then considered the Jurors' List.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Following the meeting of the Council a meeting of the Finance Committee was held, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

Votes totalling \$25,053, of which details were published in yesterday's Daily Press, were approved.

In connection with the expenditure of \$3,420 for rent in the P. & O. Building for the additional staff of the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes asked whether this rent was likely to be permanent or whether it was possible accommodation might be found in one of the Government buildings.

The Colonial Secretary said it was hoped to find accommodation. The question where to get it was under consideration at the moment. The charge for rent was essentially temporary, but whether it would be for one year only or for two years was another matter.

WEMBLEY EXHIBITION.

HONG KONG'S PARTICIPATION.

COST TO THE COLONY.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

The statement of accounts covering Hong Kong's part in the British Empire Exhibition in 1924 and 1925 has now been published.

For the first year the advance made was \$50,000. Of this sum there is a balance in hand of \$503.05.

The estimate for the second year was \$25,000. A sum of \$216,500 was advanced and of this amount \$2,501.47 remains to the credit of the Government.

The cost of the exhibition to the Colony, therefore, was \$763,496.48. In addition a sum of \$100,000 was advanced for financing the business side of Hong Kong's enterprise, but this has been repaid.

The report is signed by Mr. E. R. Hallifax, as Commissioner, and by Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Shouson Chow as hon. assistant commissioners.

Hopes were entertained that the Hong Kong buildings would be safe at the close of the exhibition, but these hopes were not realised. Nothing could be done with the buildings even as a housebreaking proposition. The Hong Kong section stood on ground which was not British Empire Exhibition property but was held on short lease from the London and North Eastern railway. The sub-lease conditions required that the structures should be removed and the ground restored to its original condition within six months of the close of the exhibition. In the circumstances it is regarded as fortunate that during 1926 it was possible to hand over the "Street" and the liabilities to the liquidators at no cost. The hutments in which the Hong Kong contingent was housed were, under a hire contract and the buildings as they stood finally reverted to the contractor.

There was a suggested subvention from the British Empire Exhibition funds of £1,700. This money, however, was never paid and a very pressing request was passed on from the British Exhibition authorities that the Colony should forego it.

The Two Years.

"It is not possible," says the report, "to make any useful comparison between the work and the expenditure of the two years, as the conditions were essentially different, apart from the fact that the cost of buildings fell almost entirely on the 1924 account. In that year all the Hong Kong exhibitors financed their own supplies of stock, fixed their own prices, and were entitled to the return less various agreed percentages; all expenses including freight and wages were a charge on the Exhibition Vote. With such favourable conditions, added to the enthusiasm evoked by the exhibition in 1924 throughout the Empire, there is reason to think that the large majority of our exhibitors had no reason to regret their participation."

"In 1925, the financing of stock and the whole conduct of the sales of the Section was made the direct business of the Government, all the Chinese employed being on fixed salaries with no further financial interest in the exhibition. The whole atmosphere had, however, changed between 1924 and 1925 and the strike and boycott conditions obtaining in Kwangtung made it impossible to renew supplies as had been done in 1924. Nearly all the favourable conditions of 1924 were absent; and while our original contingent of goods (well selected by Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co., the official buying agents) found a reasonably ready sale no replacements were possible. Even with that one concession we had at the beginning to break down the reputation for exorbitant charges which was a legacy from 1924; indeed it was a realisation of the danger of allowing the reputation to continue that was partly responsible for making 1925 a purely Government effort with prices kept within bounds. Later on it became rather a question of withholding certain lines of goods, to prevent the shops standing empty, as leaders made efforts to buy practically the whole stock. They had begun by charging us with under-selling them at uneconomical rates; our answer was to lay our figures before them, and to challenge proof of the charge. The challenge was not accepted for our replacement difficulty became early apparent; and if our stocks in hand could be got out of the way, there (Continued on next column.)

KENNEDY ROAD MURDER.

YOUNG STUDENT STABBED TO DEATH.

GIRL COMPANION'S TERRIBLE ORDEAL.

Another dastardly affair, not unlike the murder of Mrs. Rose Mackay at Chai Wan in September last, was reported to the Police on Wednesday night, when a Chinese student met his death in Kennedy Road.

The unfortunate young man, whose name is given as Fung Man Shiu, was only 20 years of age. He had been attending a class at St. George's School, and was out walking with a young lady, Miss But Pui Fong, aged 19, at about 9 p.m.

When they came to Monmouth Path, they sat down on a bench. While talking together they became aware that there were two men behind them. They turned round, and as they did so, the men pounced upon them.

One of the assailants caught hold of the girl and after knocking her down, snatched her bangle and chain, valued at \$51. The other ruffian was engaged with Fung, who, before he could put up a resistance, was stabbed in the left side of the back. According to the young lady, the instrument with which the footpad stabbed the boy was not a dagger. The blow was struck with great force and penetrated the student's heart and he collapsed and died almost immediately. The assailant then bent over the body and took the murdered boy's gold finger ring, worth \$10. The two robbers then ran down Monmouth Path which leads to Wanchai.

The place where this ghastly tragedy occurred is very lonely at that hour, and the plight of the defenceless girl could well be imagined. She appears to have run up and down the road, distractedly for a time, but she did not eventually go to one of the nearest houses for help.

A message to Central Police Station was sent at once, and they in turn communicated with No. 2 Station. In a few minutes Police officers headed by Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence, were on the scene. When they arrived, they found that Fung was dead and the body was then removed to the Government Civil Hospital and from thence to the Mortuary.

The hillside, that part of Kennedy Road and Monmouth Path were all scoured with the systematic thoroughness that yielded such important results in the Chai Wan murder case, but as far as is known no clues were found. A special search was made for the weapon used by the murderers but without success. Up to the present no arrests have been made.

The police are pursuing very active inquiries but, at a late hour last night, had nothing further to disclose.

There was no further danger from us. Facts and figures prepared against enquiries were rendered useless by new conditions at this end (Hong Kong) and interest at once faded when there was no answer to the first question asked, which was always the probable state of delivery.

"The original conception of the Hong Kong Street," the report continues, "is to be credited to Mr. H. W. Bird, and the work of designing it and of seeing it carried into effect was thoroughly personally directed by him."

"The general health of the contingents through both years was remarkably good; under conditions where trouble in this respect need have occasioned no surprise. The credit for this satisfactory state of things belongs to Dr. O. Marriott."

"The financial and accounting work of both years was entrusted to Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews; a particularly convenient arrangement for us in view of the firm's establishments in London and Hong Kong. Mr. Fleming at this end, and Mr. Layton and Mr. Ballard in London took the closest personal interest in the success of the enterprises, and from the beginning to the end did a great deal of work far beyond the limits of treasury work."

"No reference to Hong Kong at Wembley would be complete without a reference to Mr. George Dunlop, The Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock and much for the Section, but nothing comparable to the job of Mr. Dunlop's services. He was everywhere all the time, and little came amiss to him."

A SUCCESSFUL ALIBI.

ROBBERY ON A FISHING BOAT SEQUEL.

PRISONER DISCHARGED.

The Criminal Sessions for February, was concluded yesterday afternoon. The last case, which was heard in the Second Court, before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, was a charge against a Chinese, named Chan Yiu Po, of robbing the master of a Chinese fishing junk of \$30 in money and clothing, on December 31st.

It was alleged that prisoner had, with other men boarded a shrimping junk, off Lantau on December 31st, and committed the robbery. Prisoner made a complete denial of the offence, claiming that he was in another place at the time in question.

When the case was resumed yesterday afternoon, the master of the junk related how another boat approached him. There were four men on board, one of whom was prisoner. He said he knew prisoner by name, having previously had dealings with him. He could recognise the other men, but did not know their names. Prisoner and another man, witness said, came on board, produced firearms, committed the robbery and then went back to their boat and sailed away.

Witness in his boat, and another shrimping boat, close by, gave chase, but when they got close up to the escaping boat, two shots were fired at them, and they gave up the pursuit.

Corroborative evidence was given by the master's wife. There was one very outspoken passage between her and Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, who prosecuted.

When she was asked what she knew the prisoner as, she replied "I know him as a robber." Mr. Whyte Smith: What is his occupation?

Witness: Nothing. "He does nothing."

Prisoner's Alibi.

Prisoner gave evidence on oath, and when he did so, His Lordship commented that the man had also chosen this course at the Magistrate's trial.

Prisoner denied the charge totally, stating that on the day and time in question he was not off Lantau, but was shrimping at Tai O, off a place called Mah Yau Shek. Members of his family were with him.

When His Lordship asked prisoner why he thought these people had brought a false charge against him, prisoner replied that he did not know, but that he concluded it must be a case of wrong identification.

Prisoner called witnesses, who stated that they were with him on the day mentioned, at a place long away from the scene of the robbery.

In the course of summing-up, His Lordship pointed out that there was considerable doubt in the case. Prisoner had given a story which amounted to an alibi, and he had consistently given the same story throughout the time he had been in custody. It was a case of complainant's story against his.

Without retiring the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty," and prisoner was accordingly discharged.

MODERN MUSIC.

HELENA MAY MUSICALS.

The Helena May Musicals last evening was made up of piano solos by Mrs. Cashman and songs by Mrs. Clements. A large number of people had come together to hear the recital, so many, in fact, that extra chairs had to be provided, and people were standing around the walls.

The playing of Mrs. Cashman was most attractive, especially in the Debussy pieces, which were really admirable. Debussy seemed to hold a large share of the programme, but even then there was room for more.

Mrs. Clements, who was suffering from a slight cold, showed mastery of the difficult songs she had selected, but her most attractive number was the rather simple, "She had a letter from her love" by Edward German.

Mrs. Hargreaves-Brown's duty was no sinecure, and her sympathetic accompaniment was admirable. Both performers were warmly applauded and were compelled to give encores during the evening.

Programme.

1.—Piano Solos: (a) Island Spell, John Ireland; (b) Cathedral, Engländer; Debussy; (c) The Marionette Show, Gossens; (d) March Wind, Macdowell (Mrs. Cashman).

2.—(a) Starry Woods, Montague Phillips; (b) The Stars, Montague Phillips; (c) The Unforeseen, Cyril Scott (Mrs. Clements).

3.—Piano Solos: (a) Prelude in A minor, Debussy; (b) Clair de Lune, Debussy; (c) Finale from Variations in A, Faderewski (Mrs. Cashman).

4.—Songs: (a) Songs my Mother taught me, Dobner; (b) She had a letter from her love, German; (c) From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water, Cadman (Mrs. Clements).

Accompanist: Mrs. Hargreaves-Brown.

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By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1928. [5915]

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

IF the Marine Boiler left on KOWLOON MARINE LOT No. 49 by SEE TO MING is not claimed and Removed within FOURTEEN (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CBAPPELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1928. [5917]

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters, VICTORIA, BARRACKS, Hong Kong, until 12 o'clock Noon, on the date stated, for the undermentioned services for the period as stated—

For ONE YEAR COMMENCING 1st APRIL, 1929—

12th MARCH, 1928.

Transport Services.

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8th MARCH, 1928.

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8th MARCH, 1928.

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Tender Forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above Office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Daily, except SUNDAYS.

[5916]

IN THE MATTER OF LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED (and Reduced).

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1911.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of His Honour Sir HENRY GOWAN, Knight, O.B.E., dated the 10th Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, confirming the Reduction of the Capital of the above named Company from \$1,500,000 to \$900,000 and the Minute (approved by the Court) showing with respect to the Capital of the Company as altered the Several Particulars required by the above Ordinance were registered by the Registrar of Companies on the 14th Day of FEBRUARY, 1928.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the said Minute is in the Words and Figures following—

"The Capital of LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED (and Reduced) henceforth is \$900,000 divided into 150,000 Shares (of which 125,000 have been issued) of \$6 each instead of the Original Capital of \$1,500,000 divided into 1,500,000 Shares of \$10 each. At the time of the Registration of this Minute the Sum of \$8 has been and is to be deemed paid up on Each of the said Shares."

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Company.

[5912]

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1911

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE HONG KONG DEVELOPMENT BUILDING & SAVINGS SOCIETY, LIMITED.

(In Liquidation)

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE OF FIRST AND FINAL DIVIDEND OF \$100.00 PER CENTUM.

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J. HENNESSY SETH,
S. HAMPTON BOSS,
Liquidators.

8, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong, 22nd Feb., 1928. [5914]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at One, Bank Road, on SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1927. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1928 (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1928. [5915]

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 27th Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 13th, to MONDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th Feb., 1928. [5911]

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th Feb. 1928. [5914]

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, the 29th FEBRUARY, 1928, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY, 1928, to WEDNESDAY, the 29th FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CBAPPELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 13th Feb., 1928. [5918]

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21st January, 1928. [5913]

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Lots May Be Inspected on MONDAY, 27th MARCH, 1928.

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On FRIDAY, 28th MARCH.

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LAMBERT BROTHERS, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1928. [5901]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING

will be held (Weather Permitting) at HARPER VALLEY on SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1928, Commencing at 3 p.m. The First Race will be at 3.15 p.m.

The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all Persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform: Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right to introduce 2 Non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LINDSEY & DAVIS at \$5.00 Each Up to FRIDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1928.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$1.00. Each Member can obtain upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for Admission of 2 Ladies Free of Charge.

Bookmakers, The Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong JOCKEY CLUB during Race Meetings. [5904]

MACAO RACE CLUB.

DRAFT Programme and Entry Form

for the SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SUNDAY, 11th MARCH, 1928, can be obtained upon application to THE INTERNATIONAL RACE and RECREATION CLUB of MACAO, LTD., Hong Kong JOCKEY CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES, HONG KONG.

Entries will CLOSE at 4 p.m., 29th FEBRUARY, 1928. [5884]

"THE SAN-FAN" CIRCUS.

"SAN-FAN" CIRCUS, having returned from AMERICA, are Giving SHOWS at the PRATA EAST RECLAMATION AREA.

Expert European Bandmen and Dancing Girls have been employed.

PRICES: 1st CLASS ... \$1.00 2nd ... \$0.60 GALLERY SEATS ... \$0.30

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35 lb. STEEL RAILS about 3 Miles of Track.

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2 Locomotives—21 Tons & Cwt., 2 Feet Gauge.

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Full particulars may be obtained on Application to the—

MANAGER & CHIEF ENGINEER, KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY, HONG KONG. [5911]

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FROM 1st MAY for 6 Months "KIEK-UI" STRAITS ROAD, Eight Rooms, Fully Furnished and Garage. Monthly Rent: H\$300. Use of Car may be arranged.—Apply Box 5837, c/o Hong Kong Daily Press. [5837]

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A FINE 2-STOREY BUILDING, PEREY'S ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD., ALEXANDRA BUILDING. [5917]

TO LET.—In HUNTER'S BUILDING, KOWLOON, for 12 Months.

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POCKET CALCULATOR

which "Add, Subtract, Multiply, Divide, Square, Cube, Root, etc." Accurately. Also the Big Machine and Combs to 999,999,999. It is so Useful, Convenient and Inexpensive that it does the Entire Work Reliably, Rapidly and Accurately. 1415 Post Free. D. H. WARREN, GARDNETT, BOWRAY. [5890]

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SAM YICK FIRE CRACKERS MANUFACTORY, Tai Leng, 22nd Feb., 1928. [5893]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4823 dated Hong Kong, 2nd OCTOBER, 1917, for One Share of this Bank Numbered 54089 in the Name of Mr. LO KWONG-CHUN, has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 18th MARCH, 1928, a New Certificate for the Share will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4823 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th Feb., 1928. [5880]

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

APPLICATION has been made to this Company to issue to Mrs. C. F. BASTO, of Hong Kong, a Duplicate Certificate for 500 Shares in this Company, upon statement, that the Original Certificate numbered as follows Has Been LOST or MISLAID—

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
HERBERT B. STURT,
Manager and Secretary.

St. George's Building, Hong Kong, Feb. 20th, 1928. [5905]

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.

London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 24th, 1928.

THE QUALITY OF GREATNESS.

In the innumerable articles published about the late Mr. THOMAS HARDY a note of respectful homage is to be found running through them all. He is acknowledged as a great writer, a great artist, a great master of English prose and also of English verse. His death is described in several quarters as "the passing of the last of the Victorians," though this is scarcely accurate. More correctly he might be called an Edwardian great figure. It was only in the late reign that he was given the niche in the Temple of Fame that he occupied at the close of his life. There is no doubt that his best work was done while Queen VICTORIA was still on the throne, and all his novels were written and published then. It was not until later, in the first decade of the present century, that he took on the proportions of greatness.

By the time this evolution was completed HARDY had become something more than the author of "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" and "The Mayor of Casterbridge," something more than the author of "The Dynasts" and the poems. There was almost a legendary atmosphere surrounding him which compelled reverence for him whatever he did or even if he did nothing. In actual fact he was productive almost to the end, but it is certain that if he had not been his apparent greatness would nevertheless have continued to grow.

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reference are chiefly responsible for it. The process is not one which the subject of it can hasten, nor can he retard it except to a small extent. In recent years it seems to have been happening gradually, and inevitably to Mr. GEORGE BERNARD SHAW, although he vainly tries to avoid it by occasional bursts of characteristic exuberance. When, for instance, he was asked whether he considered Westminster Abbey ought to be enlarged to make room for the burial of the most famous men in the future, he replied, "I am not interested because I am not ready to go there yet."

The popular canonisation that confers greatness proceeds from no authority but the general will. It depends on the

KUOMINTANG AND THE ACTING INSPECTOR-GENERAL.

"BIG FOREIGN LOAN" RUMOUR "A FABRICATION."

NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT AND THE CHINA MERCHANTS' NAVIGATION COMPANY.

KUOMINTANG'S FOREIGN POLICY.

DICTATOR CHANG TSO LIN TO ESTABLISH A CENTRAL BANK.

Even in the midst of his multifarious duties, Chang Tso Lin, dictator and generalissimo and (according to several reports) aspirant for the presidency or the restoration of the monarchy, finds time to enlarge his financial experience by founding another banking enterprise, which is to be known as the Central Bank.

One of the latest telegrams to the local native Press states that the Fengtienese have started a new offensive against Shansi and that fighting is taking place on the railway leading to Taiyuan, Shansi's capital.

It is reported that Mr. Edwardes, the acting "I.G." will return to Peking to-day. His mission to the Nanking Government is generally regarded as fruitless, the Kuomintang evidently believing more in their own efforts than in the promises held out with regard to tariff revision as expounded to them.

It is reported that the Nanking Government have appointed a committee to take over the affairs of the China Merchants' Navigation Company.

FENGTIENESE START NEW OFFENSIVE AGAINST SHANSI.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. The Fengtienese have started a new offensive against Shansi, and fighting is reported to have taken place in the railway area on the way to Taiyuanfu.

APPOINTMENT FOR GENERAL TAN.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. The Nanking Government intend to appoint General Tan Yen Kai, General Officer Commanding the 4th Group of the Kuomintang Army, including the Hankow and Hunanese troops now being commanded by the Hankow leaders.

NATIONALISTS AND THE ACTING "I.G."

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. Mr. T. V. Soong, in a telegram to the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, states that Mr. Edwardes' memorandum regarding the Chinese Customs tariff revision was merely based on his personal opinion and would have to be seriously considered by the Nationalist Government before it could be put into effect. The rumour that the Kuomintang would accept a big foreign loan through Mr. Edwardes was entirely fabricated.

Mr. Edwardes Returning To Peking.

Mr. Edwardes, the Acting Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, having concluded his conference with Mr. T. V. Soong, the Nationalist Finance Minister, is leaving for Peking to-day.

CHANG TSO LIN'S LATEST ENTERPRISE.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. Marshal Chang Tso Lin intends to establish a central bank with \$500,000 as paid up capital. The issue of the bank notes will be secured on all their receipts from the eight provinces under the Ankuochun's jurisdiction.

THE FENGTIENESE FRONT LINES.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. A report from Peking states that a conference was held in the Ankuochun headquarters on the 21st inst. to consider plans to strengthen their lines. It was not considered, however, that an offensive action would at present be feasible.

THE NATIONALIST'S CHIEF OF STAFF.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 23rd. General Ho Ying Chien issued a circular telegram yesterday announcing that he has assumed office as Chief of Staff of the Kuomintang Army.

JAPAN'S GENERAL ELECTION.

PRESENT STATE OF THE POLL.

HOME OFFICE FIGURES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

Tokyo, Feb. 23rd.

The Home Office official election figures show that the Seiyukai has won 213 seats; the Minseitō 212; Independents 19; Proletarians 8; Businessmen's Party 4; Reform Party 3.

This completes the total, except the eight seats for the Loochoo Islands, the returns of which at present have not been received.

The Home Office does not expect any important change from the foregoing.

Independents and Proletarians are now being wooed by both the major parties for the control of the Diet, which will probably meet in special session in March.

(EARLIER TELEGRAMS.)

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

Tokyo, Feb. 22nd.

With the exception of one Prefecture, the returns from the whole of Japan are almost in, and according to the present position of the parties, the Seiyukai (Government) has won the election with a narrow majority of ten seats over the Minseitō (Opposition).

The Independents have secured fifteen seats and the Proletarians eight, thus constituting a Diet bloc which can swing either party.

The would-be Foreign Minister, Mr. Kihara, was elected at Osaka.

Tokyo, Feb. 23rd.

The latest returns which show the present position of the Parties:—
Seiyukai 214
Minseitō 210
Independents 19
Proletarians 8
Businessmen 4
Reform Party 3

The outstanding 12 seats are expected to be available this evening.

The Elections Analyzed.

Analysing the elections the leading businessmen point out that the country has clearly failed to express whether it desires the leadership of Baron Tanaka or Mr. Hamaguchi, and fear that the result means the continuance of political uncertainty.

It is considered that the Minseitō has done remarkably well. Supporters of the Proletarian Parties are disappointed, though it is pointed out that their candidates secured a surprisingly large number of votes in the cities.

Their failure in the country districts is ascribed to the fact that the peasantry is not yet educated up to the tenets of radicalism.

The newly elected Proletarian members of the Diet refuse to give opinions concerning financial problems but unanimously clamour for the relief of unemployment.

THE NORTHCLIFFE PRESS.

THE NEW DEBENTURE ISSUE SPEEDILY SUBSCRIBED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 23rd. The lists for the Northcliffe Newspapers' issue of £2,000,000 of 9 per cent. guaranteed debentures at 99 closed this morning.

IMPROVED SHIPBUILDING.

A QUESTION OF FUEL.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 22nd. Presiding at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, Sir William Sanger said that the outstanding fact of to-day was the great improvement in shipbuilding. He considered that the expansion of world trade would soon call for more tonnage, which would be followed by an improvement in freights.

He believed that it would be unwise to make themselves entirely dependent upon oil-fuel. A suggested development was the use of pulverised coal.

ADMIRALTY CONTRACTS.

ORDERS PLACED FOR SEVEN DESTROYERS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 22nd. The Admiralty announce that contracts have been placed for the construction of seven destroyers. The orders have been placed as follows: One at Barrow and two each at Greenock, Clydebank and on the Tyne, while a flotilla leader will be built at Wallsend.

ARBITRATION AND SECURITY.

WHAT IS BEING DONE AT GENEVA.

EXAMPLE FROM CANADA AND U.S.A.'S EXPERIENCE.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rugby, Feb. 23rd.

The Committee on Arbitration and Security concluded their general discussion yesterday and detailed consideration of the rapporteurs' memoranda began. Representatives of Belgium, Canada, Sweden, Yugoslavia, Argentina, Chile and Holland expressed their views yesterday and a new German memorandum on the prevention of war was presented.

Particular interest was shown in the advocacy of Doctor Fiddell, the Canadian delegate of the Permanent Conciliation Commission. He put forward a proposal of his Government that states with special geographical difficulties should establish a permanent commission of eminent citizens for purposes of investigation.

Canada and United States had had 17 years' experience of such joint commission and every decision taken during the last 18 years, including many of great importance and covering a variety of subjects, has been taken unanimously. In such a commission there was great value in permanence and equality of numbers. Mutual confidence and impartiality were inspired. The state of affairs between Canada and the United States showed how absence of armed forces prompted confidence and removed fears and suspicions.

Further Details.

GENEVA, February 23rd. The conclusions of the discussions of the Committee on Arbitration and Security are being drafted by a committee appointed by Dr. Bounes (Chairman) and the under Vice-Chairmen.

The British, French, Italian, German, Japanese, Polish and Argentine members are to make a general report with a view to the eventual formulation of the necessary draft conventions.

THE KU KLUX KLAN.

ABANDON HOOD AND CHANGE THEIR NAME.

"NEW AND ENLARGED ACTIVITIES."

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23rd. The notorious secret society known as the Ku Klux Klan has formally abandoned the use of the hood as part of their terrorist insignia and proposed under a new name, to devote itself to "new and enlarged activities in national life."

FEISAL ED DOWISH LEADS RAIDS.

R.A.F. PREVENT FURTHER SLAUGHTER.

CURIOUS ARAB TRADITION.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BASRA, Feb. 22nd. It transpires that Feisal ed Dowish himself led the raiders against Kuwait. The force was divided into three sections. The first two attacked the encampment, as reported in a Reuter cable yesterday, while the third, foraging alone, met two caravans.

The first of these caravans consisted of 25 camels accompanied by fifteen Sulbi tribesmen who, according to Arab tradition, are descendants of medieval European crusaders and are never attacked by nomads. The second caravan comprised 40 camels and 500 sheep, accompanied by about sixteen men.

The Wahabis fell on both caravans, killing all the men and capturing the animals. They were about to attack a third caravan when British aeroplanes appeared, and bombed and scattered them.

WAR-DEBT PAYMENT.

LAST YEAR'S POSITION.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, Feb. 22nd. Sir Herbert Samuel, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, stated in the House of Commons that for the financial year ending March 31st it was estimated that the receipts from allied war debts would be £10,700,000 sterling and receipts from reparations about £14,500,000, while payments to the United States would be about £23,000,000.

RUTHLESS DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS.

THE SOVIET'S FANCIFUL SUGGESTIONS.

"SEA MANDATORIES."

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

GENEVA, February 23rd.

The text of the Soviet of Russia's draft disarmament convention has been published.

It consists of 63 Articles designed to provide complete world disarmament in 4 years, after which it proposes, as a means of protection, that the customs' guards, local police, and various other guards be retained and armed with magazine rifles but unorganised for war purposes; also the establishment of a maritime police service for the protection of trade routes on the seas to be divided in 16 zones over which regional groups of states will assume responsibility as a sort of "Sea Mandatories."

No warship of the maritime police is to exceed 3,000 tons or carry more than two guns, the calibre of which must not exceed two inches.

It is a ruthless disarmament programme on similar lines to that of M. Litvinoff's proposals of last November.

INDIANS AND THE SIMON COMMISSION.

MORE ENLIGHTENED VIEWS EXPRESSED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

DELHI, Feb. 22nd.

The Council of State has adopted by 34 votes to 13 a motion appointing a committee to participate with the Simon Commission.

A resolution in support of the Commission was moved by Sir Maceckjee Dadabhai, who advising "take what you can get and then fight for more" urged that India should not throw away a golden opportunity of accelerating the progress of reforms by sulking like a lot of schoolboys.

Pundit Desikacharya recommended to the members that since it was not practical politics for India to achieve freedom by revolution, Indians should by intelligent co-operation obtain absolute control of the Government with Parliament's aid.

Sir Sankaran Nair expressed the opinion that a Committee appointed by the Council of State could influence the Commission's recommendations. Anyway, he added, it had an excellent opportunity of submitting a report embodying a constitution for presentation to England, America and the civilised world as India's minimum demand.

SPAIN'S OIL.

STATEMENT BY THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

MADRID, Feb. 22nd.

The foreign press against the new oil monopoly have evoked a communiqué in which the Government denies that it has violated laws, treaties, or rules governing neighbourly relationships.

The communiqué declares that the Government is prepared "in a broad spirit" to compensate the owners of works and installations which have been immediately requisitioned, but it declines to be influenced by illegitimate pressure and underhand manoeuvres.

The Spanish Government therefore regrets that the owners and their representatives have withdrawn from the operation connected with their valuation, without awaiting the Government's decision regarding their claims.

SPEED CRASH AT DAYTONA.

DISASTER IN RECORD ATTEMPT.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

DAYTONA BEACH, Feb. 23rd. The American, Frank Lockhart, attempting to beat Capt. Malcolm Campbell's record, encountered disaster while travelling at an estimated speed of 225 miles an hour.

The car plunged forty feet into the sea, bounced out of the water after hitting the waves and landed upright.

Lockhart's feet were pinned by the side of the car which was smashed in. Steel drills had to be obtained to cut the metal away before he could be removed, with several ribs fractured and a broken leg.

The accident is attributed to a puddle of water on the speedway.

Not Badly Hurt.

An examination of Lockhart shows that he is suffering principally from shock. His arm is not broken, and there are no internal injuries.

HINKLER'S GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY.

PRESS COMMENT.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, Feb. 23rd.

Experts calculate that Hinkler's flying time, on his remarkable England-Australia flight, was approximately 180 hours. His little machine has a cruising speed of 60 miles an hour and the Cirrus engine, although of 30 horse-power, is capable of developing 80. It gave not the slightest trouble and did not even miss once throughout the journey. It was running as sweetly after the end of the run as before it started. This is not only a notable achievement to Hinkler's credit, as his flying experience ranges over every type of aeroplane. The little machine used on the present flight was the same which he recently used on a non-stop journey from London to Riga.

Hinkler's consummate skill and daring are warmly praised by the Press and a tribute is paid to his modesty which adds an additional note of triumph to his success.

Discussing the practical importance of the flight the newspapers recognise that it will bring new problems of modifications in design, which will permit of such machines carrying passengers and cargo.

The *Manchester Guardian*, still believing that distant air travel of the future will be by airship and recognising that good fortune in the matter of weather favoured Hinkler, says that his distinction is to have brought the flight to Australia down to the level of ordinary every day commercial traffic.

The *Daily News* says: "It has brought perceptibly nearer the realisation of a regular system of air communications between distant parts of the world."

The *Daily Telegraph* says: "The reputation of the light aeroplane is thoroughly established by this flight for all purposes of ordinary travel."

The *Times* says that Hinkler's exploit was concerned not so much with the discovery of possible mechanical improvements in aeroplanes and their engines as with proving what can be done with a type of aircraft already in common use and costing in the open market only £700. By completing the journey at a total running cost for fuel of about £50 he has shown what Flight-Lieutenant Bentley showed by his journey in a Moth aeroplane to the Cape and Captain Neville Stuck and Mr. Gerrard showed by their earlier light aeroplane flight to India. Thus world journeys by air are within the reach of men of a sporting turn of mind without prohibitive capital expenditure, provided only that they have the necessary qualifications as pilots. More than anything else he has opened the eyes of the public to the feasibility of establishing an air mail to Australia.

Time Taken: 15 Days.

RUGBY, February 22nd. Capt. Hinkler's feat in flying to Australia in record time on a light aeroplane has caused the greatest satisfaction here. Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, has expressed official appreciation in the following message:—"Your flight from London to Australia in fifteen days, flying unaccompanied in a light aeroplane is one further proof

of what British pilots and British aircraft can do to link up the Empire by air."

Port Darwin, where Captain Hinkler landed, is nearly 12,000 miles from Croydon by the route taken. He left Croydon at dawn on February 7th and landed at Port Darwin at six o'clock this evening, Australian time, which was equivalent to eight o'clock this morning, Greenwich Mean time. Thus the time taken was almost exactly fifteen days.

Capt. Hinkler has not only easily beaten the record made by Sir Ross Smith and Sir Keith Smith who in 1919 flew from England to Australia in 23 days. The manner of his doing it has been extremely remarkable. He made no big preparation as he had no financial support and his aeroplane was not a big high-powered machine but an ordinary light machine such as anyone can buy for £275. For the past eighteen months Capt. Hinkler had used this machine for touring England and Northern Europe. The machine had, however, proved its capability and reliability in air races, having won many prizes. Throughout his flight Capt. Hinkler received no assistance with his plane, not even in moving it on the ground. Never during the whole flight was it necessary to make adjustments to the engine which is an ordinary standard 30 h.p. Cirrus, which is of itself a remarkable testimony to the good workmanship of this British-made engine. The cost of the flight has been only about fifty pounds which is less than the cost of travelling to Australia by sea.

It has to be added that Capt. Hinkler incidentally made the first non-stop flight from London to Rome and also the fastest time between England and India. The latter he accomplished in seven days which is of itself an epoch-making achievement.

Newspapers state this evening that the insurance which was supposed to have been effected at Lloyd's against Hinkler beating the record of 28 days set up by the Smith brothers was never executed and therefore he will gain nothing financially.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

Popular Interest.

LONDON, February 22nd. Capt. Hinkler's record-making flight has captured the popular imagination and inspired numerous congratulatory telegrams, notably one from Sir Samuel Hoare.

Government Grant Suggested.

MELBOURNE, February 22nd. The flight is practically the sole topic of conversation. Mr. Bruce and numerous others have telegraphed their congratulations, and the suggestion has been mooted in the Naval and Military Club that the Government should grant the airman £10,000.

Felt Some Anxiety.

PORT DARWIN, February 22nd. Capt. Hinkler averaged 92 m.p.h. from Birm. He was unable to sleep the night he spent there owing to a plague of mosquitoes. He declared that the last stage of his flight caused him some anxiety, but he arrived fit and his engine was in perfect condition. He will continue his flight to Bundaberg at dawn.

GERMAN METAL STRIKE OVER.

RESUMPTION ON FRIDAY.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BERLIN, Feb. 22nd. Delegates of the metal workers who are on strike have recommended a resumption on Friday. The dispute is therefore considered ended.

THE SAMOAN IMPASSE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

WELLINGTON, February 22nd. The position at Samoa has apparently reached an impasse. The Mau party, in obedience, it is believed, to an exhortation by some of the recently deported Europeans to "Stick to the Mau Committee," are refusing to meet the Native Council or Sir Frederick Richardson, the Administrator.

Meanwhile a boycott of the shops has been imposed, and Mau agents armed with bludgeons are compelling natives to return their purchases.

H.M.S. *Dunedin* and H.M.S. *Diomedé* have arrived.

AMERICA TO SWEDEN.

TRANSATLANTIC TELEPHONE EXTENDED.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, Feb. 22nd. The Trans-Atlantic radio telephone service has been successfully extended to Stockholm. Calls are operated in the London trunk exchange which is connected with Stockholm by a through telephone cable circuit. Count Hamilton, head of the Swedish telephone administration, has sent the British Postmaster-General a telegram expressing his appreciation of the fine technical achievement accomplished by the British telephone engineers in co-operation with their American colleagues in establishing the new service so successfully.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 4.34 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone has increased considerably in intensity and fresh monsoon will prevail along the coast and other the China Sea.

Local Forecast: N.E. winds fresh; cloudy generally; probably drizzle or mist later.

CRICKET NOTES.

SECOND DIVISION SHIELD WON.

The outstanding, and indeed I believe the only, League game played on Saturday last was that which took place between the two leading sides in the Junior Division. This University visited the Club de Recreio at King's Park, and, for all that they were playing on a strange wicket, decisively defeated the home side. It was not a big score match, I rather think that the real strength in the Varsity Second lies in the fact that they have at least four reliable bowlers. The batting of Recreio—barring R. C. Reed, who used to be quite useful for Craigengower in the First League a year or two ago—broke down utterly. The University, though not good, did not collapse so easily.

And there I think you have the secret of the University's success. They are a collection of eleven level players and do not depend on two or three stars for their wins. Stars have a horrible habit of falling occasionally and they bring their own particular section of the heavens down with them. A steady level of usefulness is the ideal, provided that the level is high enough.

CONGRATULATIONS.

I am particularly glad that the University Second XI have won the Shield. Definitely, this is not because, unless a moment of sanity supervenes, they will ascend to the First Division next season. I could wish them nothing worse. But I know full well I am but a voice crying in the wilderness, and that the "What I have written, I have written" attitude of those comic interludes called League Meetings will hardly recall their previous decision on the strength of the miserable fiasco it caused in the season 1927-1928.

No, my congratulations go to them for what this will mean to the University, and what the success of their first eleven will mean to the University. I don't care a straw whether their first eleven win or do not win the Senior Shield. They have proved their mettle. The point is that not one man in fifty realizes what a big thing the University ought to be to Hong Kong in every way. More able pens than mine may describe it academically. It is the one show—at all events in South China—that presents a sound University Education proceeding steadily year after year. Its faculties are notable. But it has one great disability. When I sailed into Victoria harbour in 1911 a chap pointed up the hill-side and said to me: "See that big building? It's Lugard's Folly!" Lugard is a big enough Empire man and the University has proved itself enough for me to tell the story. The point is that at its inception the University was regarded as a bit of a joke. And there are a lot of people to-day who have never grown out of this idea. In '18 and '17 while we respected Marley, Brayshaw and the other professors, we bowlers reckoned that the hutch was open when we got down to the undergraduates. And your average man judges mostly by games! Well now, you've got two undergraduate teams. One has knocked spots out of the Second League. The other is a shining light in the First Division. This is the outward sign which will make the average man sit up and take notice of the University. And when you once do that, you will begin to recognise that it is one of the biggest things in Hong Kong. And that's the sort of idea that will do a lot of good if it filters into the brain of the average man here.

APPOLOGIES.

On reading this through I see I have got away from my functions as a cricket scribe. But after all, one is human and I am going to keep it in the notes. If it only starts up or two sensible chaps trying to prove me a liar or a doctrinaire it will be worth it, because they'll learn what I have learned. Now let's get back to business.

FRIENDLIES.

The rest of a rather depleted programme consisted of friendly matches. H.K.C.C. thanks to Hayward, Hager and Parker as batsmen, and Lyle as a bowler, beat the R.A.F. team on the Club ground. But as I see that Goodwin, Lawrence, Shaw and Padra Venn were temporarily "up in the air," I should describe it as a very friendly and pleasant pick-up game.

Scratch teams—"A" of K.C.C. and O.S.C. battled on the Kowloon ground and the Civil Service batting did itself pretty well. It is singularly inconsistent. Teddy Fincher, upholding the K.C.C. against his old Club-mates and a draw resulted. The I.R.C. "B" went down to Navy II, badly but it is only fair to say that Sparrow and Wood—both dangerous bowlers who play sometimes for the Navy first team—were out against them. Thanks to J. E. Hancock and Howell a weak second eleven of the H.K.C.C. beat the H.K. Electric.

About The Recreio.

I see on reading through my opening notes that, in my enthusiasm over the University success, I may have been a little unjust to the Recreio apparently. As a matter of fact their position as very probable runners-up in the Second Division is a meritorious one considering that they are quite a new team. Where they fail is, I suspect, that they are not a well balanced side. Their batting, apart from Reed and H. A. Alves, is not too sound, and they have not the level range of bowling that University can command. But, for a new side, they are keen and good. They may well make the First Division in a season or two. Their fundamental trouble is I think the one on which I touched last week in speaking of school cricket. They have any amount of useful bats which just lack that last year's polish of good coaching which turns them from mediocre players into dangerous men. They need not be discouraged, however, for it is a trouble which affects seventy-five per cent. of the cricketers in League cricket out here. And I take leave to think that they enjoy and are keen on their cricket just as much as any one else. And this after all is the main point.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

While I don't want to be quoted as an accurate authority I have gathered that the only First League match to-morrow is that between Kowloon and the Gunners. A great deal depends on Mussion. I shall hope to get over and have a look at the game as it has a good deal of bearing on both ends of the League table. Other matches of the senior teams are friendly—the Club playing Craigengower and University taking on the Civil Services.

Although the Shield has been won in the Second Division a lot of teams will be out to improve their positions. The Civil Services second, at home, will have to play at their very best to beat Kowloon C.C. II, of the latter are at full strength. The Navy should beat the Electric unless Way and his men pull off a recovery. Friendlies in this division are Chinese v. Police, which should be a very good game, and H.K.C.C. II v. Tamar. If the Club second turn out a full-strength side they should win easily, but they seem to have a good deal of difficulty in doing so and there is every prospect of a good game—but not, I think, of much high scoring.

R. ABBIT.

UNIVERSITY CRICKET.

INTER-FACULTY MATCH DRAWN.

ARTS v. ENGINEERS.

The third and last match of the Annual Inter-Faculty Competition at the University was played between the Arts and Engineers on Wednesday on the Union ground. The result being a draw. J. Barrow (Arts) was top scorer with 71.

The Medical Faculty won the competition, having beaten both the Arts and Engineers.

Scores:—

Arts.	
J. Barrow, c and b Roffey	71
A. Baker, b Gittins	4
F. Zimmermann, b Gittins	3
S. V. Gittins, c and b Redmond	23
A. T. Lee, c Roffey, b Redmond	0
W. H. Sling, b Gittins	23
G. G. Edwards, c Barma, b Roffey	14
R. K. Simpson, c Barma, b Redmond	1
O. Hassan, st. Kermaph, b Redmond	4
K. T. San, b Redmond	0
C. L. Tan, not out	2
Extras	15
Total	173

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Redmond	17	3	57	5
Gittins	12	1	50	3
A. A. Aziz	3	0	18	0
Roffey	9	2	34	2

Engineers.

F. S. Chen, c Zimmermann, b Barrow	18
H. T. M. Barma, c Barrow, b A. B. Suliman, b Lee	8
S. R. Kermaph, b Sling	1
F. A. Redmond, b Lee	25
W. M. Gittins, b Zimmermann	9
M. H. Roffey, not out	37
B. H. Schroter, c Gittins, b Sling	18
A. A. Aziz, b Sling	0
Extras	20
Total	147

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lee	13	3	20	2
Gittins	10	0	31	0
Barrow	8	3	15	2
Zimmermann	10	2	21	1
Sling	5	1	22	3

UNIVERSITY 2nd XI.

We have been asked to say that Mr. F. Hippocle is captain of the University 2nd XI and not Mr. H. T. Barma, as was stated recently in our columns.

LAWN TENNIS.

GREEN STILL STRONG.

VERY REV. A. SWANN BEATEN.

S. E. Green, Singles Champion of the Hong Kong Cricket Club for the last three years, made his appearance yesterday when he met and defeated W. M. Lyons by two sets to love in the first round of the Club Singles and by his performance he bids fair to become favourite for the Championship. He lost only four games yesterday, three of which were in the first set. Lyons offered some opposition in the beginning and met Green's aggressive tactics by counter-aggressiveness, but in the last set the champion totally outclassed him with severe baseline drives. Lyons won one game only, deservedly taking it on his own service without losing a point. Green now meets the winner of the tie between R. P. Lonsdale and W. B. Cornaby who are playing to-day.

Three matches were decided yesterday in the Club Singles. In one, two new aspirants, the Very Rev. A. Swann and G. F. H. Richard, tried conclusions. Fast play was the feature of the match which proved to be the best of the day. They were well matched and both showed good understanding of the game, varying their style and tactics frequently in attack and defence. The issue went to Richard by 6-3 and 6-2 who had safer and more reliable ground strokes and who appeared the steadier all round.

In the third match Lawrie had little difficulty in disposing of J. Barrow. Lawrie and Richard now meet in the second round. The detailed results follow:—
S. E. Green beat W. M. Lyons 6-3, 6-1.
J. G. Lawrie beat J. Barrow 6-3, 6-0.
G. F. H. Richard beat Very Rev. A. Swann 6-3, 6-2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

R. P. Lonsdale v. W. B. Cornaby.
E. D. Lawrence v. Lt. J. Healing.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON 1st XI v. RECREIO.

This League match takes place to-morrow (Saturday), on Kowloon ground. Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.
Kowloon: Angus; Wheeler and Dodds; Hedley, Sims and Vickers; Reed, Kernick, Northey, Muir and Miles.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

INSPECTION BY THE GOVERNOR ON MARCH 6th.

The annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is to be held on Tuesday, March 6th, on Murray Parade Ground, at 5.15 p.m.

The inspection is to be carried out by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) who is Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John.
H.E. the Governor will be received with a Royal Salute, and will then inspect the Corps.
A demonstration of ambulance work will then be given, and afterwards a follow-up parade will be formed, and His Excellency will invest certain officers and present trophies gained during the year.

Later, His Excellency will address the Corps. Ranks will then be reformed and the Corps will "March Past" off the ground.
Spectators are requested to keep their seats until His Excellency has left the Parade Ground.

H.K.C.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

At Happy Valley to-morrow at 2 p.m.
H.K.C.C.—A. W. Hayward, R. W. Lee, H. V. Parker, L. A. R. Duncan, N. S. Thorp, C. D. Wales, A. Reid, K. H. Batger, H. J. Armstrong, O. Moor and A. N. Other.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. H.M.S. "TAMAR."

At the H.K.C.C. ground to-morrow at 2 p.m.
H.K.C.C. 2nd XI.—J. N. Owen, S. J. Jordan, W. Brackenridge, E. R. West, J. R. Collis, J. Hancock, H. Griffin, A. Howell, E. A. Simon, O. E. C. Marton, and G. D. Mead.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING.

HANDICAPS.

The following are the handicaps for the first extra race meeting to-morrow (Saturday):—

Happy Valley Handicap: "A"
Class: Six Furlongs.
Pickle, 108 lbs.; Peck, 103 lbs.; Hair Apparent, 102 lbs.; San Francisco, 103 lbs.; Captain, 139 lbs.; Little Sir, Tang, 159 lbs.; Comrade, 155 lbs.; Dunfries, 156 lbs.; Macao Beauty, 155 lbs.; Warrington, 156 lbs.; Warlordship, 153 lbs.; Duke of Verona, 151 lbs.; Manor Hall, 153 lbs.; Ukelele, 153 lbs.; Chow Tze Lon, 153 lbs.; Blackstone Hall, 150 lbs.; Dobbin, 150 lbs.; Tangle, 147 lbs.; Kom Tong Hall, 147 lbs.; Grande del Norte, 147 lbs.; Bing Boy, 143 lbs.; Loch Tummel, 140 lbs.

Happy Valley Handicap: "B"
Class: Six Furlongs.
King of the Plains, 162 lbs.; The Goblin, 156 lbs.; Grey Knight, 156 lbs.; August, 153 lbs.; Masonic Hall, 153 lbs.; Erasthile, 153 lbs.; Chemical 153 lbs.; Shanghai Friend, 152 lbs.; Limestone Hall, 152 lbs.; Tap Siao, 150 lbs.; Boukar, 150 lbs.; Sutherland, 150 lbs.; Artistic Hall, 150 lbs.; Man of War, 150 lbs.; Northern Stag, 150 lbs.; Grey Eyes, 150 lbs.; Meanwhile, 150 lbs.; Yuen Sin, 150 lbs.; Castle, 150 lbs.; Loongwa, 150 lbs.; Waichow, 147 lbs.; Chick, 144 lbs.; Southern Stag, 144 lbs.; Ploughman, 144 lbs.; Barley Grass, 144 lbs.; Tarzan, 144 lbs.

Happy Valley Handicap: "C"
Class: Six Furlongs.
Mowgli, 162 lbs.; Easter Day, 150 lbs.; District Call, 153 lbs.; Liberty Hall, 153 lbs.; Circle, 153 lbs.; The Haugh, 153 lbs.; Seaford, 153 lbs.; Brown Jug, 153 lbs.; Fire Calk, 153 lbs.; Bootlegger, 153 lbs.; Scooter, 152 lbs.; Silver Fox, 150 lbs.; Loch Tay, 150 lbs.; Easing Wold, 150 lbs.; Mademoiselle, 150 lbs.; Green Slip, 150 lbs.; Little River, 147 lbs.; Siang River, 147 lbs.; Loch Lomond, 147 lbs.; King Constantine, 144 lbs.; Buscico, 144 lbs.; Dundee, 144 lbs.; Kan, 144 lbs.

Wanchai Handicap: "A" Class: 1 1/2 Miles.
Pickle, 108 lbs.; Peck, 103 lbs.; Hair Apparent, 102 lbs.; San Diego, 102 lbs.; Coos Bay, 102 lbs.; Captain, 154 lbs.; Little Sir Tang, 151 lbs.; Comrade, 153 lbs.; Macao Beauty, 153 lbs.; Warrington, 153 lbs.; Dumfries, 151 lbs.; The Gameli, 150 lbs.; Warlordship, 148 lbs.; Dobbin, 148 lbs.; Ukelele, 148 lbs.; Manor Hall, 148 lbs.; Blackstone Hall, 145 lbs.; Kom Tong Hall, 142 lbs.; Tangle, 142 lbs.

Wanchai Handicap: "B" Class: 1 1/2 Miles.
King of the Plains, 162 lbs.; Horsford, 153 lbs.; Loch Tummel, 157 lbs.; August, 153 lbs.; Masonic Hall, 153 lbs.; Erasthile, 153 lbs.; Chemical, 153 lbs.; Mowgli, 153 lbs.; Chatto, 152 lbs.; Yuen Sin, 152 lbs.; Man of War, 150 lbs.; Misch Mish, 147 lbs.; Waichow, 147 lbs.; Southern Stag, 147 lbs.; Northern Stag, 145 lbs.; Ploughman, 145 lbs.; Shingle, 140 lbs.; Loch Tay, 140 lbs.; Loch Lomond, 140 lbs.; Dundee, 140 lbs.; Easing Wold, 140 lbs.; Green Slip, 140 lbs.; Seaford, 140 lbs.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

LADIES' SECTION.

A medal competition will be held on Tuesday, March 6th. Prizes will be given for the best nett score on each course. Only subscribers to the Ladies' Section are eligible for this competition. Competitors are to choose their opponents and will arrange on which course to play.
Mrs. Shellhear has kindly presented a prize for the Ladies' Section to be held on the New Course at Fanling on Tuesday, March 20th, 3/4 handicap allowed.

Captain's Cup Handicap.
The Final of the Captain's Cup was played off on the Old Course at Fanling on Tuesday, 21st inst., and was won by Mrs. L. G. S. Dodwell, the runner-up being Mrs. E. B. C. Hornell.

ROYAL DANCE.

SANDRINGHAM SERVANTS' BALL.

The Queen is retiring the Sandringham servants' ball, which has not been held during the past three years owing to the illness and death of Queen Alexandra.

The ball will be held to-night in the ball-room at Sandringham House, and in addition to the household staffs leading tenants on the royal estate have received invitations.
It is expected that the King and Queen will join the party, with the Princes of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, the Prince Henry, who are going to Sandringham for the event.
Fancy costumes will be generally worn.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

CUP REPLAYS AND LEAGUE GAMES.

SHEFFIELD UNITED BEAT SHEFFIELD, WEDNESDAY.

Three Cup-replays took place on Wednesday. Sheffield United qualified for the sixth round of the F.A. Cup competition by defeating Sheffield Wednesday by four goals to one. Their opponents will be Notts Forest.

In the Scottish Cup-replays, Queen's Park and the Hibernians won their matches. In the fourth round to be played on March 3rd, Queen's Park will be at home to Partick Thistle. Hibernians will play away, their opponents being Dunfermline. Motherwell will play Celtic at home, and their league rivals, the Rangers, will meet Albion Rovers away.

A few matches in the English League and Scottish League (Division I.) were also played in mid-week, the results of which as well as Cup-replays, as called by *Butter*, are given below.
The English League tables for Divisions I. and II. and Scottish League table, appended include the results of these matches.

THE F.A. CUP.

Re-play.

Sheffield U. 4, Wednesday 1.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

Re-plays.

Queen's Park 1, Kilmarnock 0.

Falkirk 0, Hibernians 1.

Rangers 3, King's Park 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Cardiff 2, Birmingham 1.

Division II.

St. Shields 1, Hull City 0.

Notts County 1, Notts Forest 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Airdrie 0, Motherwell 2.

Dundee 3, Dunfermline 2.

Hearts 1, Partick 2.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

Fourth Round Draw.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 22nd.

The draw for the fourth round of the Scottish Cup Competition was made to-day, resulting as follows:

Albion Rovers v. Rangers.

Motherwell v. Celtic.

Queen's Park v. Partick.

Dunfermline v. Hibernians.

Matches to be played on March 3rd.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The English League Tables and Scottish League Table (Division I.), up to and including matches completed on Saturday, are appended:

DIVISION I.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Everton 22 14 7 7 3 48 35

Huddersfield 22 15 4 8 47 47 34

Leicester 22 12 7 3 48 51 32

Bolton 22 10 6 9 39 44 32

Cardiff 22 10 6 9 39 44 32

Burnley 22 10 6 9 39 44 32

Newcastle 22 11 10 59 58 30

Tottenham 22 12 5 11 59 59 29

Blackburn 22 10 9 40 49 29

Liverpool 22 10 8 10 61 54 28

Bury 22 10 8 10 61 54 28

Sunderland 22 10 7 9 48 47 27

Arsenal 22 10 7 9 48 47 27

Aston Villa 22 11 5 12 53 53 27

West Ham 22 11 5 12 53 53 27

Middlesbrough 22 10 11 60 61 36

Manch. U. 22 10 12 47 52 25

Sheff. U. 22 9 7 12 50 50 25

Derby 22 9 7 12 50 50 25

Birmingham 22 11 11 45 57 33

Portsmouth 22 8 13 43 48 22

Wednesday 22 8 13 43 48 18

DIVISION II.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Chelsea 18 17 6 5 55 28 40

Manch. City 22 17 4 8 69 42 38

Preston 22 16 6 8 64 41 38

Leeds U. 22 16 5 8 72 40 37

Oldham 22 15 6 7 56 34 36

Stoke 22 15 5 8 62 40 35

Notts For. 22 13 8 8 64 49 32

West Brom. 22 12 8 9 67 53 32

Bristol C. 22 12 8 12 56 30 28

Hull City 22 10 10 12 53 38 28

Swansea 22 11 10 11 55 33 28

Grimsby 22 10 10 10 45 36 28

Port Vale 22 13 12 32 44 28

Barnsley 22 9 13 49 63 22

Notts C. 22 8 13 46 53 24

Reading 22 8 13 43 49 24

Clapton 22 8 14 42 53 23

Southampton 22 8 14 40 54 23

Blackpool 22 8 16 58 75 21

Fulham 22 8 15 53 67 21

Wolves 22 7 15 43 72 19

S. Shields 22 4 5 20 41 13

RUBBER MARKET.

QUOTATIONS AND DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following quotations on rubber shares:—

Quotations.

Allenby's 1.75

CHANG TSO LIN AND THE PRESIDENCY

A POST-THAT-IS-NOT REGARDED WITH MUCH REVERENCE.

OLD FORMS AND CUSTOMS REVIVED.

FURTHER TALK OF A MONARCHY.

[FROM RODNEY GILBERT.]

PEKING, Feb. 24th.

It is very puzzling, writes Mr. Rodney Gilbert from Peking to the *North-China Daily News*, to most persons who have been watching the tendencies of the Chang Tso Lin dictatorship in the North with any interest to account for the widely disseminated rumours of the Fengtien leader's imminent assumption of the presidency during the recent New Year holiday season. In the opinion of most Chinese and for foreigners in touch with Chang Tso Lin's surroundings, this would be the least likely of all possible changes and would be the last that anyone who sought favour with the Generalissimo or his intimate conservative advisers would care to suggest to him. Since Tso Lin bought his election from the long-discredited parliament there has been a very radical change of attitude throughout China towards republican institutions and pretences have been abandoned by factions otherwise having little in common. The result is that no military potentate, frankly enjoying dictatorial power at the behest of a faction or party, would now consider that he was being elevated to the presidency or that the title carried with it any distinction.

Republication Out of Fashion.

Tadily, but no less certainly, both North and South have abandoned the effort to sustain the forms of representative government as they were defined in the various republican constitutions. The South divided in actuality between its numerous local militarists, pretends now to nothing but party administration through committees and would have the Kuomintang ruling China much as the Communist Party rules Russia. Dr. Sun Yat Sen definitely abandoned his old ideas of representative republicanism along American lines after he came under the influence of Borodin and other Red tutors and before the "Three Principles" was published in its present form. The new conception of Government was made amply clear in the pamphlets published in English by Chiang Kai Shek in Shanghai less than a year ago. It was then set forth that the "Nationalist Government" did not pretend to represent anything like the majority, that it made no promise of anything like universal suffrage, but represented the Kuomintang and derived its authority not from the people as a whole but from the membership of the party. Government in "Nationalist" China is therefore a dictatorship over the masses of China by a central committee the members of which are chosen by a minority party, each member of which qualifies by confession of faith in the "Principles" laid down by the founder of the party.

Peking Gains Confidence.

It need scarcely be said that the northern military leaders never at any time believed in representative democratic institutions. They have always regarded them as mere house-pouring. Now that the South has abandoned both republican forms and republican terminology the North has no reason left, even when seeking popularity, to revert to talk of parliaments, elections and presidents.

Peking is certainly gaining assurance in reaction and no Fengtien adherent now regrets Chang Tso Lin's assumption of the dicta-

torship. One judges by the contempt expressed in official circles for the presidential rumour that all local Chinese have grasped the idea that a chief who frankly and honestly calls himself a dictator, the master of his government, his armies and his people, is much more respectable and dignified than a bogus president paying lip service to the "will of the people."

Old Forms Revived.

The Generalissimo undoubtedly senses this feeling and is playing up to it in many ways. Discipline in the army, and in civil official ranks as well, is certainly improving. The mania for imposing a new tax every other day has been abruptly cured—for the moment at any rate. Old forms and ceremonies are again honoured and there is strong inclination to re-establish old standards, which take an amusing form sometimes. During the past year for instance we have had edicts against bobbed hair, short skirts, the use of the colloquial in writing, and kissing scenes in cinemas. Such regulations are not enforced; they are to be interpreted as gestures only, indicative of the northern official state of mind to much the same degree as the far-fetched naked ladies' parade in Hankow was of the Russo-Chinese state of mind in the "Nationalist" world last year.

Now word has gone forth from the Dictator's residence that some of the republican holidays will not be observed but that the old traditional holidays will be officially recognized again. This year the Government offices closed for six days (including Sunday) at New Year and the holiday was much more rigidly observed than at any time since the abdication of the Manchus; and then the Lantern Festival was the occasion for another official holiday in which even the Chinese banks joined although the foreign banks remained open.

Another Monarchy Rumour.

These are little things but they illustrate a tendency which makes discussion of the presidency seem very absurd. As a reaction perhaps against this very absurdity, the rumour that the Dictator was to become President had scarcely been laughed down when the city was very much agog with gossip about a coming restoration of the monarchy—but not of the Manchus, for that topic is dead. In the Legations these rumours gain no credence and yet no one will venture to say that a monarchy is an impossible development. The tendency is certainly in that general direction and there has always been a faction within the Fengtien party ready to suggest that Mar-chaung be made King or Emperor at any propitious moment. The writer has heard of one exalted monarchist, now in favour here, and several smaller men who believe that this is a propitious moment, but he has heard from many other quarters the opinion that it would be rash and foolish. The cautious point out that the North now enjoys some security and is gaining a little assurance because the Southern slogans are discredited and are not holding the South together. A monarchy movement, it is pointed out, would furnish the tottering "Nationalists" with a whole new set of slogans and would unite a hundred individual adventurers under one anti-monarchical banner.

right. They seem incapable of righteous indignation, calloused to hardship and indifferent toward justice.

"Recently when I was obliged to execute a division commander for neglecting his duties, there was a great outcry in the newspapers against the severity of the punishment. Why do they not show the same indignation against the activities of Russia in China, which lead to such bloody massacres as we have witnessed in Canton?"

Nothing Wrong With Chinese Civilization.

"There is nothing fundamentally wrong with Chinese civilization, according to General Sun. It might appear to foreigners, he said, that China was in a hopeless plight, but the Chinese know that it is far from hopeless."

"China has drifted away from the old teachings, the Four Classics," said the general, "but China needs borrow nothing from the West. Let us get back to the Four Classics and away from Communism and all other foreign doctrines which can never take permanent root in China."

"LOVERS."

RAMON NAVARRO IN A TALE OF MODERN SPAIN.

"REAL LIFE UNFOLDING BEFORE YOUR EYES."

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Lovers" is one of the best productions Metro Goldwyn have made in choice of caste and in technique. First of all for the caste, Ramon Navarro who made such an excellent "Ben Hur" is the hero; Alice Terry Ingram's famous leading lady, who is very lovely through now much of an actress, the heroine. Roy d'Arcy plays a minor rôle as villain and that clever young actor George K. Arthur has also a fairly important part. The other names are less well known but there is no one who is not competent, and Edward Martindel as the husband gives a very good performance indeed.

"Lovers" tells the story of an elderly diplomat, his young wife and his secretary. There is the happiest of friendships among these three people till the malicious tongues of gossip bring about a tragedy. The story is decidedly unusual, less pleasantly pretty than most of those told through the screen, and far more interesting. It begins slowly, but not too slowly on a note of peace, and gradually quickens to the tragic climax, though of course there follows a final scene where the wife and the secretary start together for a new life.

The acting and the action is well restrained watching real life unfolding before your eyes. The protagonists are all human and not the stage puppets to whom we are accustomed, and what is more they are all pleasant people. We very strongly recommend "Lovers" as a film worth seeing, confident that even if you prefer lighter fare you will find much to please you. The film is extremely well staged and all the settings are good.

At The World.

Mac Murray, the star of "The Merry Widow," is to be seen at the World Theatre to-day in "Altars of Desire," her new picture, in which Conway Tearle has the male lead. She plays very charmingly and the dramatic moments are well done.

At The Star.

The story of "The Road to Yesterday" at the Star with Joseph Schildkraut and Jetta Goudal in the leading rôles is unusual and dramatic. The principal characters are travelling in an express-train at night. Suddenly here is a crash, and as this scene fades away, it is replaced by the peace of an English tavern of the early seventeenth century.

On Sunday At The Queen's.

The funniest element ever shown on the screen is to be seen in "There You Are," which is to be screened at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday next. Conrad Nagel takes the part of a shy office clerk who falls in love with his employer's daughter. The young couple decide to elope and after amusing complications Joan's father, excellently played by George Fawcett, decides to face the situation and accept the clerk as his son-in-law.

OLD MASTER SAVED FOR LONDON.

BEAUTIFUL DUCHESS WHO ENLISTED A REGIMENT.

So many famous pictures and art treasures sold recently in London have been acquired by Americans for the United States that it is refreshing to hear of one that is to be retained in Britain.

This is the portrait of Jean Maxwell, fourth Duchess of Gordon, painted by Francis Cotes, Reynolds' master.

This "Old Master" has been purchased for £2,100 through the King's Galleries, Chelsea, by a Kensington resident.

The Duchess of Gordon, who was born in 1749 and died in 1812, was a great beauty of her time, and was painted by Sir Joshua Reynolds and Gainsborough. She was the second daughter of Sir William Maxwell, third baronet of Monkeith, was born at Hymford's Close, Edinburgh, and had two sons and five daughters, three of whom married dukes and one a marquess.

She was a confidante of Pitt, and became arbiter of fashion in Edinburgh, where she was known as "the lady who raised the 1st Regiment of the Gordon Highlanders with the patriotic bribe of a guinea a kiss."

The duchess became a great political hostess in London, and at her house in Pall Mall formed a social centre of the Tory Parliament. She received large gatherings of the Government during the last fourteen years of Pitt's first Administration.

THE "FLAPPER VOTE."

DEBATE AT THE Y.M.C.A.

LADIES GAIN THE DAY.

The debate at the Y.M.C.A. last night was on the subject "Should Women of 21 have the Vote." The Y.M.C.A. yesterday opened its doors to the ladies and so they were able to defend their own cause. There was a very large number present to pass judgment upon this prospective enlargement of the franchise.

Mr. Hunt was in the chair.

Miss Watt, in opening the question, said that many faults were due to youth, but to the youth of both sexes. Youth is dogmatic, but tolerance and wisdom come only with experience, and women must have the chance to try. The sensibilities of youth are unblunted, and youth is the fiercest champion of any cause. For working girls many a vital question is brought before their eyes, while before the age of 30 more women than not have married. But whether or no women are married, they are up against a very great number of political problems. At any rate, whatever is done, there cannot be worse political chaos than at present.

The Rev. H. A. Wittenbach's antagonistic attitude covered a heart full of sympathy. In Australia women had the vote at 21, but there was no little interest shown that voting had had to be made compulsory. This was only another proof that the modern system of voting was "scandalous and should be abolished." At present women commanded about two-fifths of the total votes. Was it not a far greater thing that the few intelligent women between the ages of 21 and 30 should sacrifice the vote, rather than that there should be any risk of foolishly cast votes causing trouble?

No one even expected to be perfect at the entrance of anything, maintained Miss Clark, but the whole business of modern democracy is to educate itself by doing. Man had already been given the means to watch over his condition at the age of 21, but as both men and women were sharing the schemes, and perhaps the mistakes of the electorate, was it not only fair that women should have her share of control?

Mr. C. E. M. Terry pointed out that the meeting was not concerned with whether or no men of 21 should have the vote; the question was confined to women, though many of the arguments applied to both. Neither the control of a business or a country could be entrusted to enthusiastic youth, who in a moment of excitement may pick up some slogan which will perhaps influence their ideas for years to come. As for saying that women have no representation, if the husband does not vote the right way there is something very much wrong with the wife.

When the question was open to the house there were a large number of speakers eager to air their views, so that the debate did not close until a late hour.

The voting on the question was very close, but finally the motion was carried by 22 votes to 18.

M.C.L. ACTIVITIES.

MRS. KING AND BRANCH SECRETARIES PRAISED.

SECTION REPORTS WANTED.

The Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League held their annual meeting yesterday at the Helena May Institute, and in the absence of Mrs. W. T. Southern, the President, Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe took the chair. She was supported by Mrs. D. W. Tratman (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. T. H. King (Hon. General Secretary), Mrs. C. C. Luard, Mrs. Pearson and Mrs. Robinson.

The meeting was well attended by branch secretaries and members. The reports and accounts, which were read by the Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer, were adopted. Mrs. Wolfe then asked the branch secretaries for the year to provide a report of their work to the General Secretary as such reports would make a useful record.

A letter was read from Mrs. Southern expressing appreciation of the whole-hearted manner in which Mrs. King had thrown herself into the secretarial work, and the manner in which she had tackled all the problems which had arisen.

Mrs. Wolfe said that she wished to associate herself with what Mrs. Southern had said. The secretarial work which Mrs. King had to do was no sinecure. On the proposition of Mrs. Wolfe, a vote of thanks to Mrs. King was heartily carried.

Mrs. Wolfe said that Mrs. Southern had also expressed her appreciation of the invaluable help given throughout the year by the branch secretaries and of the offer of Mrs. Charnock to take over the secretarial duties.

(Continued on next column.)

CHINA AND AMERICA.

EXPRESSION OF FRIENDSHIP.

CANTON CELEBRATION OF WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Reference has already been made to the celebration of George Washington's birthday by the American community in Canton. The function took place on Wednesday in the building of the Chinese Y.W.C.A. The American Consul General was there and a large number of Chinese were also present, including many leading merchants and a number of young men and women who have studied in the United States.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

The address of Mr. G. W. Greene, President of the American Association, was as follows:—

As we meet here to celebrate the birthday of George Washington, it becomes my privilege to welcome you in the name of the American Association of South China. The presence of each individual here is a cause of rejoicing to us. Especially are we glad to see many of our Chinese friends who have in days gone by been sojourners in Europe and America.

As I think of the two groups represented in this gathering, I am impressed with the similarity that exists between them. The education which we have received has been in many cases almost identical. We have all of us enjoyed the privilege of reading in foreign lands, and have felt the stimulus for increased effort which goes with that experience. I see several faces of Chinese friends who were born in my country, and I also see the faces of Americans, who like me, were born in this land. To this latter group, I would add those who have expressed themselves in my hearing as being like the Irishman, who after living in America for a short while, became so enamoured of that country that he wrote home to Ireland saying, "this is a fine country, I only wish that I had been born in my native land."

Our Chinese Friends.

One of the purposes for which the American Association of South China was organized was the promotion of more cordial relations between Americans and their Chinese friends. There are many of you, our guests, who are counted among the best friends of the members of this Association, and there are a score of you, who though not personally known to us, are so well known by reputation that we feel like saying of you, as you so admirably express it—*Tin ha tung yan shuet Hong xi and we are happy to make your acquaintance.*

One of the best compliments that we can pay to a man is to say of him, "to know him is to admire him." As one's circle of friends increases, he is almost sure to find a growing number of people to whom that saying may be fittingly applied. We are, therefore, happy for this opportunity to learn to know more of you and to learn to know others of you better. As one of China's sages has well said: *Seung chi, kwai seung chi sam* "The most valuable acquaintanceships are the deep ones of the heart."

On Chinese Soil.

It is well, I think, in closing to call attention to the mixed relationships which exist between the two groups represented here to-day. In a very real sense, we of the American Association, who issued the invitations for this gathering, are guests as well as hosts. The soil on which we meet is Chinese. We are using this Auditorium for your gathering by the kind permission of the Y.W.C.A. expressed through Miss Law Yau Tsit, the Vice-President of the Euro-American Returned Students Club. In the programme to which we are looking forward, about half of the numbers are being furnished by Chinese, so we are grateful to you, not only for your presence here as our guests this afternoon, but also for your part in the entertainment offered.

Officers for Year.

The Committee and officials for the forthcoming year are as follows: Patroness, Lady Clement, M.B.E.; President, Mrs. Cressy; Vice-President, Mrs. Wolfe; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Wynne-Jones; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Charnock; Military Branch, Mrs. Luard and Mrs. Robinson; Naval Branch, Mrs. Pearson; Police Branch, Mrs. Kent; Prison Branch, Mrs. Frank; Peak Branch, Mrs. Hynes; Peak Children's Club, Mrs. Gordon Mackie; St. Stephen's Girls' College Branch, Miss Atkins; St. Paul's Girls' School Branch, Miss Woo, M.B.E.; Bellios Girls' School Branch, Miss Hughes; Kowloon Branch, Mrs. B. Wyllie.

Fair Play.

Announcement was also made that the Garrison School children will be giving a fair play on March 1st at Mount Austin Barracks and at the R.E. Theatre a day after. Tickets are now obtainable.

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The HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS gives a well informed summary, from a Chinese source, of the policy of the Canton Government. Plans, of which details are given, are in hand for coping with Kwangtung's gravest problems—the currency and disorder in the districts.

Several cases of exceptional interest and importance have been heard at the criminal sessions, heavy sentences were passed on the gunmen implicated in the shooting affray in which several police were killed and injured. A young Mui Tsai accused of murder was given the benefit of the doubt and acquitted unanimously by the jury.

The prospects and opportunities of Hong Kong as a centre of commercial aviation were discussed in a lecture, which we report fully, by an R. A. F. officer well qualified by civil aviation experience to speak on this subject.

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from the descriptions given by him, the Police were able to arrest the two defendants. In his statement to the Police, he said that he had seen the defendants on various occasions before the robbery.

When the case was continued in the afternoon, complainant denied saying that he had seen the defendants before the robbery. When challenged by the Magistrate, he admitted that he had seen the first defendant on several occasions, but had never spoken to him. He also mentioned the name of the second accused, which made Mr. Lindell say, "You old liar, now you know his name too."

Mr. O. E. L. Grist, who appeared for the defence, said that he had no case to answer. The first accused was with the second defendant and a witness would say that they were with him on the night in question. The first defendant entered a complete denial and the second man said that he knew complainant had lost money at gambling. He (the second accused) and the complainant had had several quarrels and complainant had tried to get him into trouble out of spite.

After evidence had been called, his Worship discharged both the defendants.

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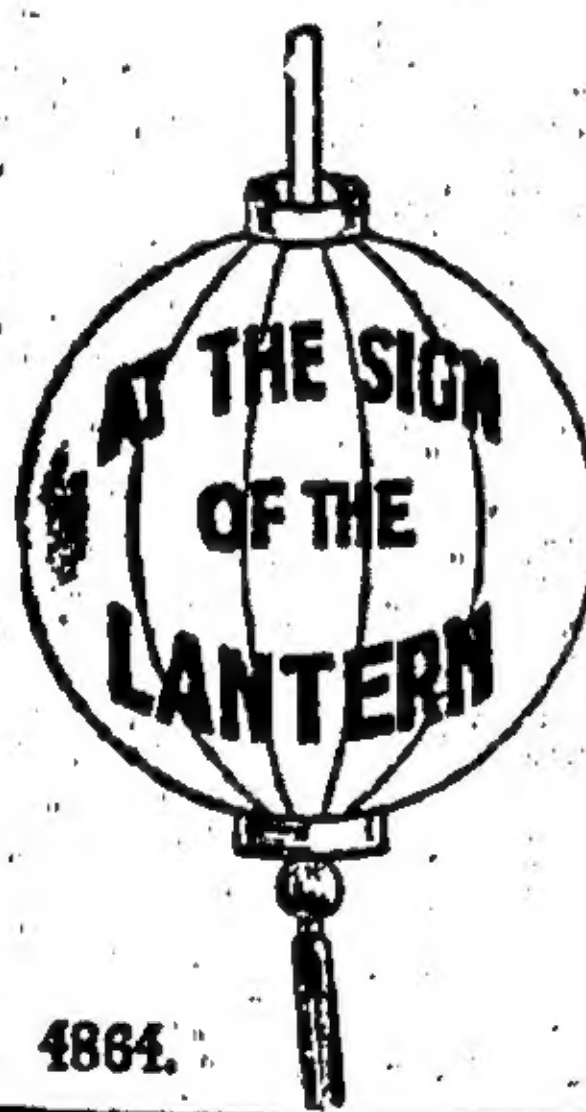
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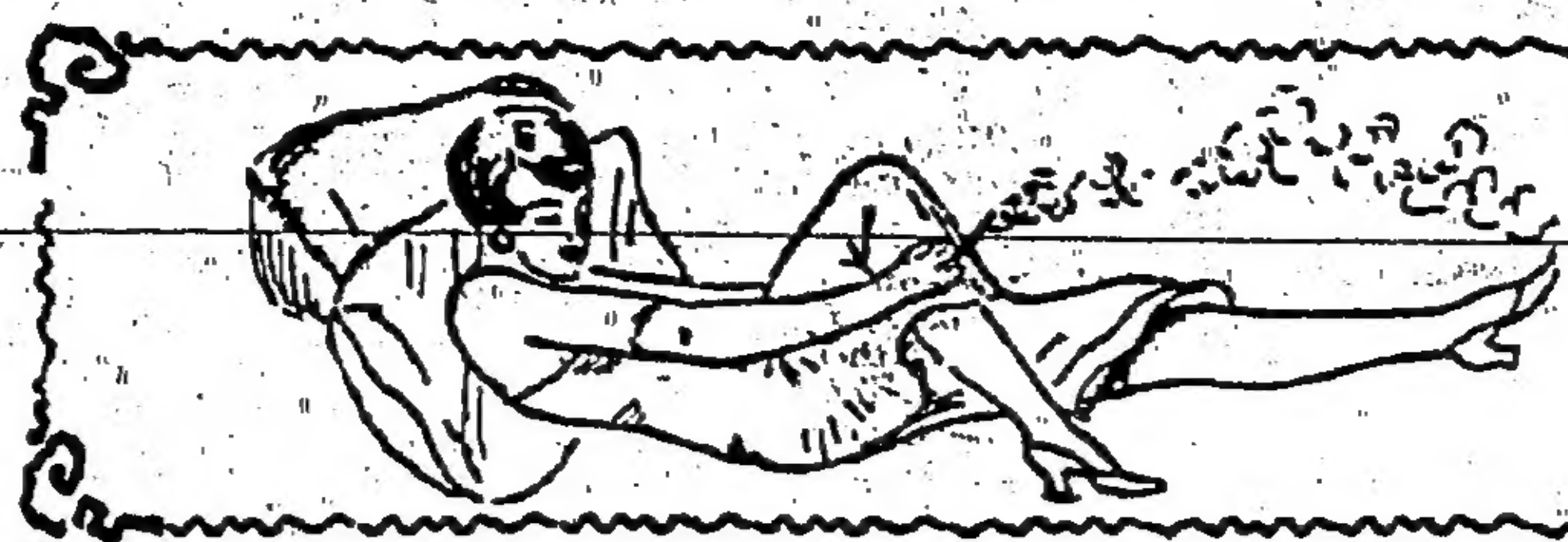
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The WOMAN'S PAGE

THE CUNNING OF SIMPLICITY.

SOME CHARMING EVENING
FROCKS.

Men, they say, were deceivers ever, perhaps that is why (since many of the most important designers of women's clothes are men) the new styles are so deceitful. That artful simplicity—just a few tucks, a godet or so, insertions and enrustations, how easy they look, and how exceedingly complicated they are.

Our grandmothers who liked the money they spent on dress to be obvious would think the new frocks which Paris has sent to Pamela very poor bargains, for most of them have no trimming in what used to be the accepted meaning of the word. Just plain little garments of pastel coloured georgette, many of them without even a flower. But these same little garments seem to dance, to whisper of youth and laughter even as they hang demurely in the wardrobe. For here a wonderful pattern of tiny godets, these queer shaped panels from one shoulder, or a strangely cut skirt, gives the movement which makes them far more attractive than any elaborate ornamentation.

Alas for those of us who used to flatter ourselves we could make our own evening frocks, more than a gift for cutting is needed to-day, you must have a talent for it. The three yards that used to make a dress of quite a respectable length, won't go very far when cut on the bias for the insertions and panels of the shortest little dance dress of to-day. And above all finish, perfection of finish, is everything when so little trimming is used.

Let me tell you more about some of the frocks I saw in Pamela's. There is a flame coloured georgette cut on princess lines, to just above the knee where it softly flares into a multitude of tiny godets, two rows of them, which look like the ruffled petal edges of a flower. The straight strips which hang from each shoulder are tied in a loose bow well down on the back, and there is a drooping flower low on the left hip in front.

Joffre blue georgette is used for a more elaborate type of picture frock with an ankle length hem. The added length is given by means of a scalloped insertion of tulle, which also serves to hold out the fullness, and a deep hem of net in the same tone. The skirt has large flat velvet flowers in tones of pink and apricot appliqued on it and there is also a lacing of cerise ribbon on the bodice.

A very smart black frock has a double skirt cut somewhat similarly to that in the illustration of the Bernard model on this page. The hems are edged with black lace, and a stitched belt with a large square diamanté buckle in front gives a very chic finish.

One of the most charming examples I have seen of the use of two materials is a dress of pale green georgette and satin. The satin is used for two geometric insertions on the bodice and the very deep hem. From a series of horizontal pin tucks on the left hip hangs a cleverly cut cascade of the satin secured by a brooch of brilliant set diagonally to repeat the line of the insertions on the bodice.

THE FAIRY GOD- MOTHER.

A SALE AND A PROMISE.

Madame Sarrault is starting a sale to-day, a wonderful sale in which everything—day and evening frocks, hats and cloaks, are reduced to the lowest possible figure, some considerably lower than you would consider possible.

But that is not all. Madame is setting out next month for Paris and will not be back until September. She is leaving No. 10, Ice House Street, in capable hands and business will be carried on as usual there, though her customers will miss Madame's delightful presence.



An example of the more decorative jumper suits designed for this Spring. It combines a stockette jumper with facings of tweed, and a tweed skirt. The soft blowing of the jumper, with a faced opening at the waist and neck is worth noting.

What is she going to do in Paris? She is going to do what every woman dreams of doing there, shop, for herself and for you.

By every mail she will send home fresh goods chosen with her own particular skill and for our particular needs here. What is still better she will very definitely shop for her clients. If before she goes you tell her what you want she will get it for you, and during her stay she will be your personal buyer in the best dress market in the world if at any time you let her know your needs.

This means more, however, than a visit of a few months, for the work that Madame does while she is away will go on after she returns to us, which she will not do without leaving a capable agent in Paris.

ROUND THE TOWN.

STOCK TAKING.

SHAWLS, SILK AND A SALE.

Stocktaking "the worst job of all the year" is in progress in nearly all the business houses. Stocktaking to the mere outsider seems as curious a fad as spring cleaning seems to a man, but it is as sadly necessary.

The only consolation for both harassed assistants and purchasers who are apt to feel they have come in at an inopportune moment no matter how politely they are welcomed, is that stocktaking means that the new goods for summer have arrived. There are tempting cases in the back ground which will be opened before March 1st, when we shall be invited to inspect the contents. Happily, though even the heads of business have their weaknesses, and already there are a few new things displayed.

Raffia Sunshades.

Whiteaway, Laidlaw's promise us a very good selection of hats and frocks, and the latest designs in cotton piece goods. Upstairs, in the household furnishing department, we may expect lovely new creations among other things. Some really charming sunshades seem to have slipped out of one of the new cases already, they come from Italy and are made of woven raffia decorated with gay raffia flowers.

A Good Opportunity.

The sale at the Sign of the Intern of winter and early spring hats and frocks, all offered at 35 per cent. discount is still on. I know of at least two women who were delighted with the several purchases they made there a day or two ago.

A New Material.

In the Pioneer Silk Store I found a new material silk Tobralco, which is really a mixture of silk and the famous Tobralco cotton in the familiar weave. It should, I think, be an excellent material for underwear or children's garments. A very large collection of shawls was accumulated here for the two tourist ships a fortnight ago, and I noticed that they have several in all white or black and white which are particularly smart.

White Silks.

In Pohoomull's I was most interested in a selection of white and tussore silks for early spring and summer frocks. There is a really heavy finely woven Shanghai silk for only \$2.50 a yard, and a new silk "marble crepe" which has a satiny surface and a garbardin weave a little cheaper. Besides these, of course, there are crepe de chine, crepe Roma, etc., in all sorts of weights.

Watson's and Beauty.

I wonder if you are one of the few who have not yet succumbed to the tempting products of Elizabeth Arden? If so let me persuade you to join the band of happier women who do use her preparations. I must confess that I felt doubtful if any toilet preparations did even half what they professed to do. I tried one or two when the wrinkles seemed to be making a special offensive, but the effect was so negligible as hardly to merit the effort involved. Then one day I got three Elizabeth Arden preparations, and I am now an enthusiast. Three days' use was sufficient to show me that here at least the quest of beauty was not to be in vain. I noticed a softer fresher complexion and the wrinkles were far less prominent.

Of course, Arden preparations are not cheap to buy; good things never are, but they are cheap to use for they go a very long way and do very good work. Watson's are the agents for Elizabeth Arden in Hong Kong, and you will find there all her famous preparations. Lane, Crawford's stock them as well.

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"THE MERRY WIDOW."

WIDER HATS ARE TO BE THE VOGUE.

Brilliant hats have been the feature of the winter mode, but there is every indication that the wide hat, which milliners have been trying to introduce for several seasons, is to be definitely adopted by most smart women this Spring and Summer.

For one thing we are all getting just a little tired of turbans; and, autocratic as Paris is, yet Paris lives by the taste of the many not the preference, even if it spells perfection, of the few. Certainly small hats have never been so attractive as during the past winter, and we shall no doubt see a large number of similar shapes during the summer. However, the decidedly more feminine trend in dresses must give an added bias in favour of large hats, and I feel sure that all those of us who live in a land where the sun threatens both eyes and complexions will welcome bigger brims.

I was very interested in Lane, Crawford's first collection from Home of new hat styles. Many of them are really very big indeed, real "Merry Widow" hats. Notably one very becoming shape in white Panama straw, not dead white but with an oyster nuance, which has a wide sweeping brim and relies on a twisted cord of beige and green gros grain ribbon for trimming. This cord opens out to form flat conventional flowers on one side, half on the crown and half on the brim.

A little smaller, but still very wide after the winter styles, is a lovely ermine straw in Panama violet with a loosely arranged gros grain ribbon which mounts the crown in front. Both this and another of much the same size made of white and pink silk horsehair (the pink straw being used in bands as trimming) suggest the accompaniment of an organdie or muslin frock cut on picture lines, although the combination of a slender lined dress and a large drooping hat is often particularly becoming.

There seem to be few middle sized hats; nearly all the models with the exception of the wide brimmed ones are quite small, just a trifle less close fitting than the winter fells.

There is, for example, a dear little shape in real violet colour, which is bound round the bottom of the crown with a plaited band of the straw fastened in front with a square silver buckle. A very chic hat with a tiny brim is made of one of the new varnished Manila straws which are so popular just now in Paris. The straw is woven like basket knitting in strips which



A lovely dinner dress which originated in the Salons of Bernadette. It has been designed for a petunia broadened chignon, and is trimmed with one of the new large buckles on the hip in place of a flower.

are checked with small black and white squares. This model has a feature which seems to have found great favour with the important houses, for one sees a good many variations of it; the bottom of the crown is cut into points over an insertion of gros grain ribbon.

For those who do not like the idea of so complete a revolution as a "Merry Widow" hat and yet want some shade for the eyes, there are a few small brimmed hats, but I do not consider them so chic as the others, and, as I said before, I believe the wide brims will win the day.

AN INTERESTING ENTERPRISE.

WHAT STOCKINGS SHALL I WEAR?

The question of stockings is all important in these days of short skirts and because of the emphasis which is laid on the correct choice of accessories. I have been reading about an interesting enterprise in Shanghai. A well built and up-to-date factory has been opened there for the production of silk stockings. The silk used is Chinese and the machines, which are, of course, imported from Europe, are worked by Chinese girls and women. Mr. and Mrs. Chan who were both trained in the silk textile factories of America, are the founders of the business, and Mrs. Chan personally supervises the factory. Of course, the advantages of this enterprise are obvious. Chinese silk which better withstands this climate is used, in conjunction with modern machinery and ideas. Further since there is no duty to pay here the stockings can be sold at extremely low prices, a point which will appeal to every woman who appreciates lovely things.

I went to see the Hong Kong representative, Mr. Loo, and he and his wife told me further interesting details about the factory, and also showed me many samples of their delightful stockings.

Now you will want to know where you can get them. For the present only in the bigger Chinese Stores, Wing On and Sincere's, as only small supplies have as yet reached the Colony. But next month you will be able to buy them at the important European houses, Lane, Crawford, Fowler, Mackintosh's (for men) and Whiteaway, Laidlaw. Also chez Mesdames Sarraute and Clegat in Ice House Street.

You will find there are several qualities and every possible shade, and the trade marks are "Footcase," "Champion" and "Ten Cents." I experimented with a "Footcase" pair in rose beige chiffon with which I am more than delighted.

THE LATE MR. CHARLES USHER.

GENERAL PASSENGER TRAFFIC MANAGER C.P.R.

A cable has been received by the local office of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., informing them of the death in Montreal on February 22nd of Mr. C. B. E. Usher, the General Passenger Traffic Manager. Mr. Usher was born December 9th, 1867, at Niagara Falls, and entered the railway service in the year 1874 as a clerk in the auditors' office of the Great Western Railway. He held a number of posts on the railway, and in 1883 went into commercial business at Hamilton, Ontario. Three years later he became chief ticket clerk to the Canadian Pacific Railway, after which he held various high posts, until in September, 1923, he was appointed General Passenger Traffic Manager.

PORT OF VANCOUVER.

CAPACITY OF GRAIN ELEVATORS TO BE DOUBLED.

Plans are being completed by the Vancouver Board of Harbour Commissioners for the doubling of the grain elevator storage capacity of the Port of Vancouver. Millions of dollars will be involved in the project, which will be presented to the Dominion Government in detail in time for action at the forthcoming session of Parliament. The immense increase in the grain tonnage being shipped through the port, and the prospect of future development makes the increased elevator capacity a necessity.

The Harbour Commissioners said that details were not complete but that the board had for some time been forced to the conclusion that the existing elevator capacity of 7,700,000 bushels of the Port would be woefully inadequate for the requirements of the future.

"We expect to move between 75,000,000 and 100,000,000 bushels of grain through the port this season," said the Harbour Commissioner. "Such a quantity will closely approach, if not surpass, the shipments out of New York and will make Vancouver the second or third grain port of America. We are just getting into our stride and the volume of grain which must come this way in future years is definitely assured. The board has realized since the beginning of the season that in order to keep pace with requirements capacity would have to be doubled."

"More than 10,000,000 bushels of grain are booked for shipment in the month of December. To date eight-two ships are chartered to carry grain this month. They will spend close to \$500,000 in the city for supplies and repairs." "Vancouver," concluded the Harbour Commissioner, "is definitely on the map as one of the world's greatest grain ports."—North China Daily News.

FICTITIOUS VISIT TO CANTON.

LEATHER MERCHANT'S COMPLAINTS AGAINST HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW.

At the Kowloon Magistrate's court yesterday afternoon, Yu Chung, an assistant in a leather shop belonging to Po Hing Koo, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield with fraudulent conversion of money entrusted to his care.

Mr. Leo d'Almada prosecuted and accused was defended by Mr. A. J. G. Leach.

Mr. d'Almada stated that the defendant was the brother-in-law of the complainant, being employed by the latter at his leather shop. On November 23rd last the defendant was entrusted with the sum of \$300 with which to buy leather goods in Canton. Before leaving the defendant applied for an extension of his leave to 15 days and also for \$50 to pay his personal expenses. This was granted him. The fifteen days passed away but nothing was heard of the leather goods, nor could the defendant be found. Investigations showed that the defendant had not been to Canton nor had he brought the leather goods. He had remained in the Colony all the time.

The case was adjourned until next Wednesday, the 29th instant.

GUARDS IN MUFTI.

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE NEW RULE.

CLEAN WHITE COLLARS.

I understand that not fewer than 70 per cent. of Guardsmen have made application to their respective commanding officers for permission to wear plain clothes when "walking out," in accordance with the recent Army Order, writes the Military Correspondent of a Home paper. This is surprising when it is borne in mind that the Foot Guards are the only infantry soldiers who wear ceremonial dress when off duty.

This revolutionary change in military regulations as to dress will tend to reduce petty military crimes. There is a long list of things that a Guardsman may not do when in uniform. He must not lounge about on the benches in the Park, nor take things easy when off duty as a civilian may do.

He must "turn out" as though he were on the parade ground waiting for the searching eyes of his inspecting officer. The military policeman is a very strict taskmaster, and if he finds a button-hole of a tunic minus a button, the offending owner is likely to be reported. Hence the quite natural desire of the soldier for a little more freedom when off duty.

Cloth Caps Taboo.

But the Guardsman does not escape Dress Regulations entirely. Each regiment finds it necessary to impose some uniformity in the matter of plain clothes. For instance, the "bowler and the soft hat may be worn, but the cloth cap is anathema. A clean white collar and tie, too, are indispensable, and there are minor requirements—all with a view to maintaining the tradition of the Foot Guards.

Finally, a suit case must be purchased in order that the "civvies" may be packed up when in barracks, for it would be a breach of the regulations to have the lounge suit of the civilian sharing the place reserved for the King's uniform. It is estimated that the cost to a soldier who is given permission to wear plain clothes is approximately £10.

FRENCH LAWN TENNIS WIN.

AUSTRALIANS BEATEN.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

SYDNEY, Feb. 22nd.

The French Lawn Tennis players beat the Australian Davis Cup team by six matches to three.

WALKER WINS ON POINTS.

PIERCE FIGHTING.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22nd.

Mickey Walker, the middleweight boxing champion, won the decision over the Texan, Jack Willis after ten furious rounds.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 24th to March 1st, 1928.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Day	Time	High Water	Low Water
Fri. 24	h. m.	5.11	1.11
Sat. 25	h. m.	5.15	1.14
Sun. 26	h. m.	5.19	1.17
Mon. 27	h. m.	5.23	1.20
Tues. 28	h. m.	5.27	1.23
Wed. 29	h. m.	5.31	1.26
Thurs. 30	h. m.	5.35	1.29
Thurs. 1	h. m.	5.39	1.32

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Hong Kong, 23rd Feb., 1928. [5913]

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 13th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
22nd February, 1928. [5909]

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, February 23rd.

Previous On Date On Date

Day	Time	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Force	Weather	Rain
23rd	h. m.	30.10	65	65	E	2	B	0.00
24th	h. m.	30.12	65	61	E	2	B	0.00
25th	h. m.	30.12	65	61	E	2	B	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 22nd: 80
Lowest open-air Temperature, 22nd: 68

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SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 25th Feb.	7 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 26th Feb.	7 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LUCHOW"	On 26th Feb.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 26th Feb.	Noon
HONGKONG	"TAIKOOWANYI"	On 26th Feb.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SZECHUEN"	On 27th Feb.	6 p.m.
WINGAI, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"KUBICHOW"	On 28th Feb.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"JHONGTU"	On 28th Feb.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KANOHOW"	On 29th Feb.	9 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"TEAN"	On 1st Mar.	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 3rd Mar.	7 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKOW	"NANNING"	On 3rd Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 4th Mar.	7 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"YINGCHOW"	On 4th Mar.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 4th Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW"	On 5th Mar.	6 p.m.
WINGAI, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 8th Mar.	4 p.m.
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"CITY OF DUBHAM"	13th April	13th April
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ARRIVALS.

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Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Ryusei Maru, Japanese str., 1,500 tons, Capt. T. Tanaka, from Bangkok, which port she left on February 9th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C33.
Lee Peng Kee.
Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Lo Sau, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

February 23rd.
Anking, British str., 3,080 tons, Capt. Plunkett Cole, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10.—B. & S.
Lena, Norwegian str., 3,633 tons, Capt. Nils Olsen, from Vladivostok and Dairen. The latter port she left on February 17th, with soya and beans, lying at buoy No. A30.—Thoresen & Co.
Chengtu, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. J. B. Bruce, from Tongku and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14.—B. & S.
Hanoi, French str., 830 tons, Capt. L. Cruchot, from Fort Bayard, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. C30.—M.M.
Hupoh, British str., 1,200 tons, Capt. J. Malley, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.
Mirapore, British schooner, 4,134 tons, Capt. C. C. Dickinson, from Bombay, which port she left on February 1st, with cotton and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Shansi, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. N. Taylor, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C37.—B. & S.
Talanta, British str., 8,018 tons, Capt. R. F. Minnett, from Kobe. The latter port she left on February 10th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Tunkin, French str., 907 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C45.—M.M.

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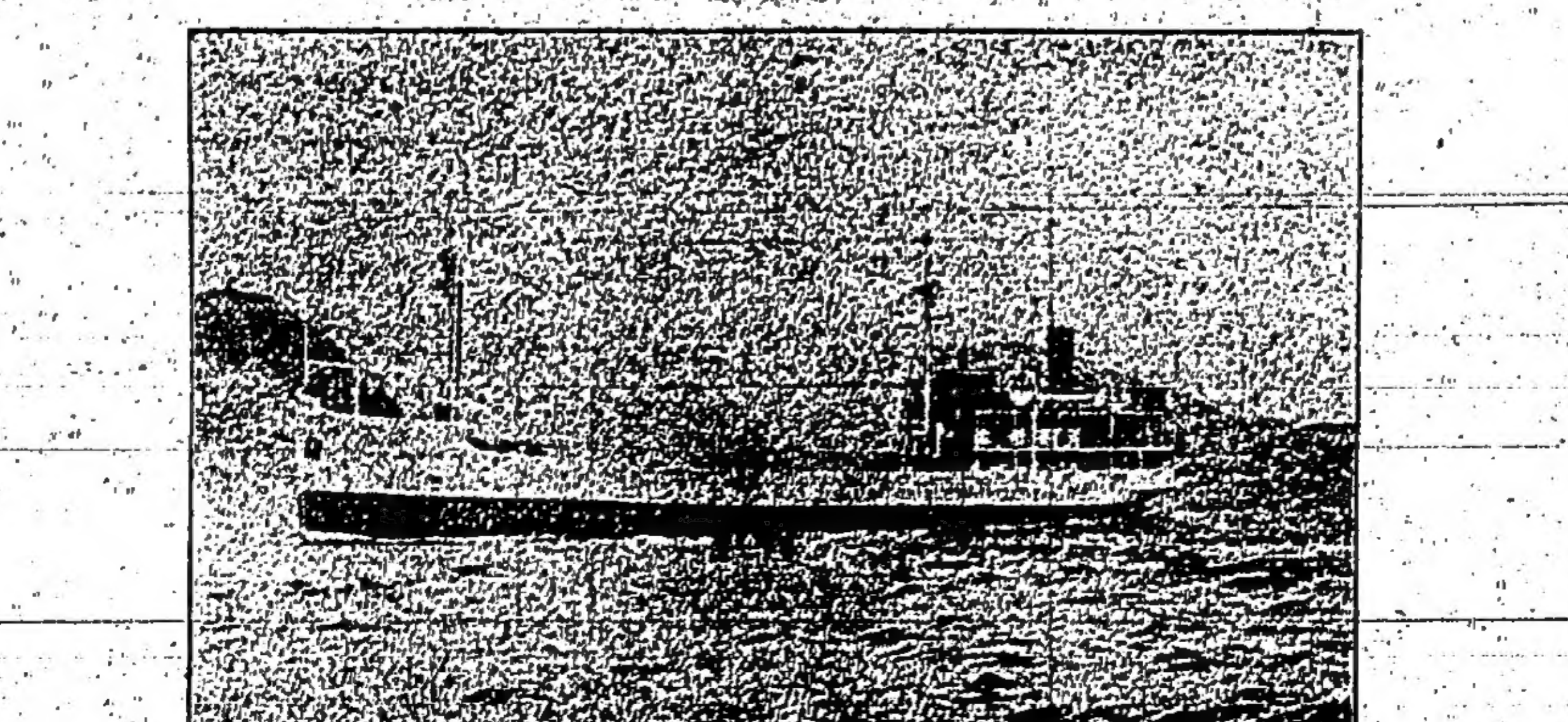
SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
February 24th	6.49 a.m.	6.24 p.m.
" 25th	6.49	6.24
" 26th	6.49	6.25
" 27th	6.47	6.26
" 28th	6.47	6.26
" 29th	6.46	6.27

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TJIPANAS	JAVA, MANILA	28th	29th	SWATOW & SINGAPORE
TJISAROA	BATAVIA	28th	29th	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJIKARANG	SWATOW, KLONG	5th	7th	BATAVIA
TJIMANOEK	JAVA, MACASSAR	12th	14th	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJILWONG	N. C. & AMOI	12th	14th	MACASSAR & JAPAN
TJIBODAS	JAVA, MANILA	12th	14th	SWATOW & SINGAPORE
TJISONDARI	BATAVIA	14th	16th	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJISAROA	SWATOW, KLONG & AMOI	18th	21st	BATAVIA

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships and auxiliaries in port yesterday were:—
North Wall, Basin, Carlisle; South Wall, Basin, Carlisle; Tern, Basin, Carlisle; S/Ms. L4, L27, Faulknor; North Arm, Ambrose and S/Ms.; West Wall Dock, Petersfield, Hillycock; Forgive, In Dock, Ironquois; S/Ms. L1, L2, L5; No. 3 Buoy, Herald; No. 6 Buoy, Hawkins; No. 7 Buoy, Titania and S/Ms.; No. 8 Buoy, Marazion; No. 11 Buoy, Somme, Sepp; No. 12 Buoy, Serapis; Sirdar; No. 13 Buoy, Bruce; No. 18 Buoy, Ruthenia; Khark; Kowloon Anchorage, Portol, Belgol.
Foreign Men of War—U.S.S. Asheville; Pampana; Portuguese, Fern de Alenquer; Italian, Sebastiano Cubato, Valt.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS

To	STEAMSHIP	DATE
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHAKSANG" "KWAISANG" "HOPSANG" "HANGSANG"	Sun., 26th Feb., at 7 a.m. Wed., 29th Feb., at 7 a.m. Sun., 4th Mar., at 7 a.m. Wed., 7th Mar., at 7 a.m.
KOBE via AMOI, MOJI & YOKOHAMA	"HOSANG"	Sun., 26th Feb., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"KWAISANG"	Sun., 26th Feb., at 6 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Fri., 9th Mar., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Tues., 28th Feb., at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"KWONGSANG"	Fri., 24th Feb., at 8 p.m.

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Steamship "GLENLUCY"	(via Oran)	17th March
Motor Vessel "GLENLUDE"	(via Oran)	11th April
Motor Vessel "GLENLARRY"	(via Oran)	2nd May

To SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOK.

Motor Vessel "GLENLUDE"	2nd March
Steamship "GLENLUCY"	17th March
Motor Vessel "GLENLARRY"	11th April
Motor Vessel "GLENLARRY"	2nd May

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FARE FROM HONG KONG TO GENOA:
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NEXT HOMEWARD SAILINGS:

Freight S.S. "Anhalt"	departure	24th February
Freight S.S. "Mosel"	departure	6th March
Pass. S.S. "COBLENZ"	departure	11th March
Pass. M.V. "FULDA"	departure	7th April

Passenger steamers sailing via Manila and Ports to Genoa, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Bremen.
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NEXT OUTWARD SAILINGS:

Freight S.S. "Oder"	due here	2nd March
Pass. M.V. "FULDA"	due here	12th March
Freight S.S. "Anhalt"	due here	28th March
Pass. S.S. "TRIER"	due here	9th April

Passenger steamers sailing via Shanghai to North China Ports.
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AND RETURN		
(Occupying 3 to 5 Days)		
HAIPHONG	Friday, the 24th February, at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Tuesday, the 28th February, at 2 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Friday, the 2nd March, at 3 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near "Black Fin") Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hong Kong to Fuchow (Fuchow Anchorage) or vice versa and return by the same steamer at the Reduced Rate of \$30.00 including Meals while the steamer is in Port.
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When you go home—go by Canadian Pacific to Europe

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

NORMAL IMPORTS AND HIGH THROUGH CARGO.

With nineteen arrivals and 11 departures during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, the general cargo imported for the Colony was raised to normal. General freights for ports beyond the Colony were higher than the previous day.

The total amount of general merchandise discharged for Hong Kong was 11,020 tons, of which 5,515 tons were contributed by five British vessels. The two best returns were from the *Eyunei Maru* (Japanese) with 2,700 tons from Bangkok, and the *S. S. Kishikawa* (British) with 2,250 tons from Saigon.

Through freights amounted to 26,535 tons of which 11,920 tons were carried by four British steamers. The two best returns were shown by the *Dutch* steamer *Outlook* from Vladivostok and Shanghai with 8,200 tons, and the *Mirapora* (British) with 5,960 tons from Bombay and Singapore.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	3
French	2	0
German	1	0
Dutch	2	2
Japanese	4	3
Chinese	0	3
Total	10	11

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.

President McKinley, Feb. 27th.

Australasian-Oriental Line.

Taipei, Mar. 9th.

Changie, April 10th.

Bank Line.

City of Adelaide, March 1st.

City of Durban, March 10th.

City of Dunkirk, Mar. 17th.

City of Bombay, April 4th.

City of Eastbourne, April 11th.

City of Cardiff, April 14th.

City of Birmingham, May 4th.

City of Singapore, May 12th.

City of Chester, May 20th.

City of Tokyo, June 9th.

City of Cardiff, June 22nd.

Blue Funnel Line.

Bellerophon, Feb. 28th.

Poliphemus, Feb. 28th.

Ischilus, March 1st.

Calculus, March 6th.

Sarpedon, March 7th.

Rheus, Mar. 19th.

Teiresias, Mar. 19th.

Tyndarus, Mar. 19th.

Menelaus, Mar. 22nd.

Euryclides, Mar. 27th.

Automedon, April 1st.

Patroclus, April 5th.

Protesilaus, April 10th.

Phenias, April 11th.

Agapenor, April 15th.

Knight of Companion, April 21st.

Oristes, April 22nd.

Laomedon, April 24th.

Diomedes, April 25th.

Talthyphus, May 1st.

Menelaus, May 2nd.

Antenor, May 3rd.

Teucer, May 22nd.

Purphus, May 20th.

Aircus, June 7th.

Lycan, July 25th.

British-India and Apear Line.

Takliwa, Feb. 20th.

Tilawa, March 4th.

Telma, March 15th.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Russia, to-day.

Dodwell, to-day.

Romolo, March 1st.

Tugela, March 9th.

Bolton Castle, March 25th.

Venezia, March 29th.

Toledo, April 12th.

Dollar Steamship Line.

President Hayes, to-morrow.

President Taft, Feb. 27th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Australian, to-day.

Asia, Feb. 28th.

Afrika, Mar. 26th.

Malaya, April 27th.

Danmark, May 25th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

St. Albans, May 5th.

Arafura, April 26th.

Tania, Feb. 20th.

Glen Line.

Glenelg, Mar. 2nd.

Carmarthenhire, March 7th.

Glenagry, March 20th.

Glenara, April 6th.

Hamburg-Amerika Line and

Hugo Stinnes Line.

Ensl Kirdorf, Feb. 28th.

Havelland, Feb. 29th.

Havestien, March 7th.

Scheer, Mar. 15th.

Carl Legien, March 20th.

Adolf von Baeyer, April 3rd.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tijalak, Feb. 27th.

Tijleboet, Feb. 27th.

Tijpanoa, Feb. 28th.

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

MARINE COURT.

ANCHORING NEAR LOW WATER MARK.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Wong Sam, mistress of a cargo boat was charged before Commander G. F. Ho at the Marine Court yesterday morning with unlawfully mooring her craft at a distance less than 100 yards from low water mark between the hours of 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. in Victoria Harbour. The defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined \$3.00.

Birth At Sea.

The Master of the *a.s. Kishikawa* arriving from Saigon reports the birth of a male baby en route. The ship carried 13 deck passengers.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The Asiatic deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday totalled 1,381.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Emp. of Russia	24th Feb.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Katori Maru	24th Feb.
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Nellors	24th Feb.
CALCUTTA & STRAITS	Hongkong	24th Feb.
EUROPE via NARAPATAM (letters only)	Kalyan	24th Feb.
London 20th Jan.		
SHANGHAI & SWATOW	Ichang	24th Feb.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Hayes	25th Feb.
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Noji Maru	26th Feb.
EUROPE via NARAPATAM (papers only)	Norviken	27th Feb.
London 20th Jan.		
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. McKinley	27th Feb.
JAPAN	Kidderpore	27th Feb.
MANILA	Pres. Taft	27th Feb.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	General Mailings	28th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Portico	28th Feb.
STRAITS	Gawa Maru	4th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hainan and Haiphong	New Mathilde	Friday, 24th, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Nanchang	10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Wan Hong	Noon
Haiphong	Tokio	1.30 P.M.
Japan	Kalyan	2.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marsellles—due Marsellles, 25th March	Katori Maru	Kouloon P.O. Reg. 3.40 P.M. Letters 4.30 P.M. G.P.O.
Samahut & Wexow	Tai Ming	Reg. 4.15 P.M. Letters 5.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Shanghai & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Sinkang	Reg. 4.30 P.M. Letters 5.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Swatow	Frommham	Reg. 4.30 P.M. Letters 5.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marsellles—due Marsellles, 25th Mar.	Nallors	Reg. 4.30 P.M. Letters 5.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Fort Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hasoi	Saturday, 25th, 8.30 A.M.
Bangkok	Hermot	8.30 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Tulumba	9.00 A.M.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Osakang	9.00 P.M.
Amoy	Huan	9.00 P.M.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	9.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Huan Maru	Sunday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kalgon	9.00 A.M.
Amoy	Sachmen	Monday, 27th, 4.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 22nd March	Pres. Taft	Monday, 27th, 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M. G.P.O.
Hainan, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Takko Maru	Tuesday, 28th, 8.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Has Nung	1.00 P.M.
Salgon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marsellles—due Marsellles, 30th March	General Mailings	Kouloon P.O. Reg. 1.00 P.M. Letters 1.45 P.M. G.P.O.
Sundakan	Hianang	Reg. 1.30 P.M. Letters 2.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Ketchow	Reg. 2.00 P.M. Letters 2.30 P.M. G.P.O.
Wei Hai Wei	Pres. McKinley	Reg. 2.30 P.M. Letters 3.00 P.M. G.P.O.
Manila	Kwai Sang	Reg. 3.00 P.M. Letters 3.40 P.M. G.P.O.
Swatow		3.00 P.M.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorized Capital \$50,000,000
Issued and Fully Paid \$20,000,000Reserve Funds:—
Sterling \$10,000,000
Silver \$10,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$20,000,000

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and STERLING on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hong Kong, 13th Sept., 1927. [28]

HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
For the HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 13th Sept., 1927. [2]

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Authorized Capital.....Guineas 100,000,000. (\$2,000,000.00)
Paid-Up Capital.....Guineas 80,000,000. (\$1,600,000.00)
Reserve Fund.....Guineas 40,000,000. (\$800,000.00)Head Office:—AMSTERDAM.
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London Bankers:—National Provincial Bank, Ltd.

Correspondents all over the world. Banking Business of every description transacted.

O. STEENSTRA, Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th July, 1927. [34]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital fully paid up—Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund—Yen 50,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT:—
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Hong Kong, 8th July, 1927. [34]

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1854.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital.....£1,000,000
Reserve Fund.....£1,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors.....£1,000,000AGENCIES AND BRANCHES:—
ALGER, AMSTERDAM, BATAVIA, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, CANTON, Cebu, HONGKONG, KANSAI, KOBAY, KUPONG, LONDON, LYONS, MANILA, MADRAS, Peking, RANGOON, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE, SOERABAYA, SWATOW, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

J. R. GEORGE, Manager.
Hon. Kong, 6th Jan., 1928. [30]

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

(Incorporated in France).

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HEAD OFFICE: 74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital, fully paid up—Fr. 50,000,000
Special Working Capital Fr. 50,000,000
Reserve Fund.....Fr. 15,304,963BRANCHES:—
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A. ROLLIN, Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st January, 1928.

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7, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, 19th April, 1927. [29]

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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$50,000,000.00
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SHOU J. CHEN, Manager.
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Paid-up Capital.....Fr. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund.....Fr. 89,384,519.10BRANCHES:—
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CH. LEM, Manager.
Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1927. [32]

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Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight 2/0 1/2
Credits, at 6 months' sight 2/1 1/2
Documentary Bills, 6 months' sight 2/1 1/2On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 1/54 1/2
Credits, 6 months' sight 1/52 1/2On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 49 1/2
Credits, at 30 days' sight 50 1/2On Bombay:—
Telegraphic Transfer 134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand.....On Calcutta:—
Telegraphic Transfer 134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand.....On Shanghai:—
Bank Bills, at sight 78 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight 79 1/2
On Yokohama:—On demand 104
On Manila:—On demand 88 1/2
On Singapore:—On demand 88 1/2
On Batavia:—On demand 121 1/2
On Hongkong:—On demand 100
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